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Port Almanac—February 21.

Sun Rises 6.43 A M
Sun Sets 5 46 P M
Day's Length 10 h 55 m
High Water at Southport 10.45 A M
High Water at Wilmington 12.28 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE. WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 20.

Meteorological data for yesterday: Temperature: 8 a. m., 40°; 8 p. m., 56°; maximum, 58°; minimum, 40°; mean, 49°. Rainfall for the day, 1.40; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 4.16.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 19.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 12.9 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina, threatening weather and rain, probably clearing during afternoon; warmer in the interior; easterly to southerly winds.

OUTLINES.

The New York *Financier*, in its weekly statement, reports a general revival of business in different sections. —— The jury in the case of J. H. Bocock, on trial at Newport News, Va., for killing a negro, brought in a verdict of not guilty. —— Natural gas explosion in the Chicago *Chronicle's* press rooms injured ten persons, five of them seriously. —— The Senate passed a resolution extending sympathy to the Government of Greece in its intervention to free the people of Crete. —— Justice Shiras was criticized in both House for his action in the income tax case. —— All the provinces in Crete have voted in favor of union with Greece. —— In reply to a warning of their intention to attack Canea, the Italian Admiral informed the insurgents that the combined fleets would intervene at the first sign of an attack. —— The Naval Appropriation bill to be reported to the House does not provide for an increase of the navy. —— Gen. M. W. Ransom passes through Charlotte on his way home. —— Rev. Pike Powers, rector of St. Andrew's church, Richmond, Va., is dead. —— William B. Sheerer made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide at Richmond, Va. —— The court of inquiry acquits officers and crew of the cruiser Brooklyn for the recent accident to the vessel. —— The usual Spanish victories are reported over the insurgents. —— A negro has been discovered in the Georgia penitentiary who has served fifteen years contrary to law. —— A prominent society lady of Nashville, Tenn., enters suit for legal separation from her husband. —— The superintendent of the city cemetery at Lynchburg, Va., has been arrested for body snatching. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent., cotton steady; middling 7⅛c; Southern flour was dull, easy and unchanged; common to fair extra $2 30@2 50; good to choice $3 60@4 00; wheat—spot market was dull and firmer; No. 2 red free on board 90⅛c; corn—spot dull and firm; No. 2 29⅛c at elevator and 30⅛c afloat; rosin quiet—strained common to good $1 70; spirits turpentine quiet at 28½@29c.

Greece is not very large, but she feels big enough to knock the stuffing out of Turkey.

The city of St. Louis has a solid delegation in the Missouri Legislature. One of them weighs 300 pounds.

Gov. Black's entertainments in Albany are not popular. The most exhilarating beverage dispensed is lemonade.

A furniture man who has been figuring on it says there are 400 chair factories in this country which make annually 36,000,000 chairs. Query: What becomes of all the chairs?

Mr. McKinley farms some, but like other farmers hasn't discovered the "advance agent of prosperity" yet. He shipped some of his apples last week and got three cents a bushel for them.

A Pittsburg woman is suing a man for $5,000 damages for kissing her. The man protests that he didn't damage her, and that no one would ever have known that he had kissed her if she hadn't told it.

A Portsmouth, R. I., man 100 years old, has been using tobacco for eighty-three years and notwithstanding the anti-tobacco people persists in the habit and takes the chances on shortening his days.

All shades of wide Taffette Ribbons this week 25c at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

New Black Goods at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

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To-morrow will be the 165th anniversary of the birthday of "The Father of His Country." He hasn't been forgotten but unfortunately a good many of his teachings are, but for all that it is a great country, the greatest the world has ever seen, or probably ever will see. We may have our shortcomings, but whatever they be, as Americans we all have reason to be proud of the Republic that Washington and his heroic compatriots left us, the grandest inheritance ever bequeathed to men.

The American residents of London will present Ambassador Bayard with a bust of himself. Some people in this country are under the impres- that as an American Ambassador Mr. Bayard has been the biggest kind of a bust.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

D. O'CONNOR—For rent.
CASH—Paid for beeswax.
SAM'L BEAR, SR.—Notice.
MERCER & EVANS—Shoes.
S. W. SANDERS—This week.
W. E. WORTH & CO.—Coal.
OPERA HOUSE—Eugenie Blair.
JAS. D. NUTT—Cough remedy.
D. L. GORE—Fox River butter.
A. PREMPERT—Expert barbers.
TAYLOR'S BAZAAR—Kid gloves.
W. B. COOPER—Fresh crackers.
NOTICE—Washington tea party.
MARTHA F. MAUNDER—Notice.
SOCIABLE—Hibernian Benev. So.
MARY F. VANAMRINGE—Notice.
REV. C. L. HOFFMANN—Europe.
J. H. REHDER & CO.—Remnants.
HALL & PEARSALL—To truckers.
NOTICE—Dissolu'n co-partnership.
STATEMENT—Fire Asso'n of Phila.
STERNBERGER BRO.—Where to find us.
ENTERTAINMENT—Ladies 1st Bap. Ch.
GEO. O. GAYLORD—Bargains this week
ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK—Notice.
A. D. BROWN—Linens, embroideries.
PETERSON & RULFS—Prevent la grippe
WIL. SAVINGS & TRUST CO.—Capital $25,000.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

YON can make money.
AGENCY—Salesmen wanted.
N. SIEGERT—Merchant tailor.
WANTED—Work by young man.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. W. H. Drane, of Armour, was here yesterday.

— Mr. M. McRae, of Maxton, was among yesterday's arrivals.

— Mr. W. H. Carter, of Wallace, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. H. White, of Scotland Neck, was in the city yesterday.

— Dr. Arthur, of Magnolia, was one of yesterday's hotel registrations.

— Miss Mabel Price, of Southport, is in the city, visiting Miss Hattie Penny.

— Mr. A. P. Smith, of Rock Hill, S. C., was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

— Miss Susie Ziegler, of Charleston, S. C., is in the city, spending a while with Mrs. John J. Fowler.

— Ex-Mayor John J. Fowler and wife returned to the city yesterday, having spent a week in Charleston, S. C.

— Mr. B. S. Jones, of the firm of B. S. Jones & Co., commission merchants of New York, and Mr. Burt Eddie, representing the Vaughan seed house, of New York, were here yesterday.

— Mr. Washington Biggs, of Cronly, called at the STAR office yesterday and made a deposit of $5.00. He is a subscriber to the Daily, and says he always feels better when he pays in advance.

— Mr. Thomas A. McIntyre and party, of New York, arrived in the city yesterday on the 5.45 A. C. L. train and left after supper on a special train on the W., N. & N. for his county home near Verona.

— Among the truckers in the city yesterday to attend the truckers meeting were Mr. C. H. Heide, Mr. W. A. Wright, Mr. J. H. Hutaff, Mr. G. W. Westbrook, Mr. S. J. Jones, Mr. Sam'l Westbrook, Capt. S. W. Noble and Mr. George A. Woodard.

— Mr. R. R. Stone, formerly of Little River, S. C., will engage in the wholesale and retail grocery business in this city at No. 7 South Water street. He is a brother of B. O. Stone, who has resided here for several years, and a son of Mr. W. H. Stone, of Shallotte.

New Laces and Embroideries are now open at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

Full line of W. B. Corsets have just been received at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

Stock of light wool Challie at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s this week at 12½c per yard. †

New Rugs at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— For other new advertisements see fourth page.

— Register of Deeds Norwood issued marriage licenses the past week to three white and three colored couples.

— To-morrow is Washington's birthday, February 22d, and as it is a legal holiday the Produce Exchange will remain closed.

— Mr. W. B. Cooper desires to thank the firemen for their splendid work on Friday night in keeping the flames from his store.

— The Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk Railroad offer reduced rates to the fair at Newbern this week. Special trains will also be run.

— The Hibernian Benevolent Society will give a sociable at their hall Tuesday evening. There will be music, dancing and refreshments.

— Mr. H. K. Holden has opened a tinware and house-furnishing store on the corner of Second and Dock streets; rewicking and repairing lamps a specialty.

— There will be a mass meeting at the First Baptist Church at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Dr. Jno. D. Jordan will speak on the Young People's movement.

— In their usual industrious way Sternberger Bros. have reopened their grocery store at No. 10 Market street, between Front and Water. This shows the pluck and energy some people possess.

— There will be a meeting of the directors and members of the Executive Committee of the Eastern North Carolina Truckers and Fruit Growers' Association at Wallace on Tuesday, the 23rd inst.

— A Washington tea party will be given to-morrow night at the residence of Mrs. C. H. Robinson, corner Front and Grace streets, under the auspices of the Ministering Circle of the King's Daughters. Refreshments will be served from 5 until 10 o'clock.

— Rev. Dr. Jno. D. Jordan, corresponding secretary of the Baptist Young People's Union, will preach at the First Baptist Church at 11 o'clock this morning. To-night he will preach at the Brooklyn Baptist Church. He is reported to be a very eloquent speaker.

— A little excitement was caused at the corner of Front and Princess streets yesterday afternoon by a white sailor and a colored drayman quarrelling over a horse and a hand-bag. Deputy Sheriff Guyon, colored, arrived on the scene and put a stop to the controversy.

— The ladies of St. Paul's Episcopal Church anticipate giving a highly enjoyable concert at the Young Men's Christian Association Auditorium at an early date, the announcement of which will be made later. There will be several unique features which will make it well worth the price of admission.

OPERA HOUSE.

To-morrow Afternoon and Night—Eugenie Blair and a Company of Unusual Merit.

To-morrow afternoon and night theatre-goers of this city will once more have an opportunity to see that beautiful and distinguished actress, Eugenie Blair. At night the popular drama, "Jane Eyre" will be presented and a special matinee bill.

The standard drama has been so cut and lacerated of late years by the so-called "repertoire companies" that it will be a treat to see "East Lynne" presented by a beautiful and talented actress assisted by an accomplished and specially chosen company.

The "East Lynne" matinee seems to be the rage just now and there are seldom any seats left by the time Miss Blair makes her first entrance. Her audience sit and enjoy her. They rejoice, cry and suffer with her as the artist so perfectly unfolds to them the character of the unfortunate and unhappy "Lady Isabel" and finally after it is all over they make a rush for the stage door and await the coming of Miss Blair and go home satisfied and happy that she did not really die and that she looked "so sweet and charming after it all."

Seats now on sale at Gerken's. Night prices as usual, and matinee prices 25 and 50 cents.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—9 bales cotton, 5 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—57 bales cotton, 9 casks spirits turpentine, 119 bbls rosin, 79 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—18 casks spirits turpentine, 29 bbls tar.

Steamer Crœsus—375 bbls rosin, 37 bbls tar.

Rafts—335 bbls rosin.

Total receipts—Cotton, 66 bales; spirits turpentine, 27 casks; rosin, 829 bbls; tar, 150 bbls.

Ancient Order of Druids.

Linden Grove No. 2, U. A. O. Druids, of this city, will celebrate the third anniversary of their organization next Thursday night. 25th instant, by giving a banquet at their hall in Odd Fellows' building, on North Third street. Hon. James A. Lipscomb, Grand Secretary of the Grand Grove of Virginia and North Carolina, will be present, and the attendance of all members is earnestly requested.

Ladies' Sweaters sold at cost. Only a few left at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

Buy a Feather Boa at cost this week at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

Special prices in the Carpet Department of C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s this week. †

FRUIT GROWERS' AND TRUCKERS' ASSOCIATION.

New Members Admitted—Delegate Appointed to the Meeting to be Held at Wallace—Questions of Importance to Truckers and Fruit Growers Discussed.

The New Hanover County Fruit Growers' and Truckers Association met in the grand jury's room of the court house at 5 p. m. yesterday. In the absence of the president, Capt. E. W. Manning, the vice president, Mr. G. W. Westbrook, called the meeting to order and asked the secretary, Mr. Sol. J. Jones, to read the minutes of the previous meeting. These were read and no corrections being offered were considered approved.

On motion of Mr. Samuel Westbrook, Messrs. Geo. A. Woodard and C. H. Heide were admitted to membership in the Association.

Under the head of reports from committees, Mr. G. W. Westbrook reported for a committee appointed at a previous meeting to confer with the railroad authorities with reference to the reduction of freight rates. He said that as yet the committee had had no meeting.

Mr. Westbrook then stated that the meeting had been called to take action with regard to the representation of the New Hanover County Association in the meeting of the Executive Committee and Directors, which is to be held in Wallace Tuesday next. He said, in this connection, that the members of this Association did not have sufficient notice of the meeting of the general Association at Wallace some time ago to attend.

At that meeting Mr. G. W. Westbrook was appointed one of the directors of the General Association and now requested that the local Association confirm his appointment, so that he could go to the meeting at Wallace in a position to represent the New Hanover County Association.

Mr. S. J. Jones moved that Mr. Westbrook be authorized to go to the meeting at Wallace with full power to represent the New Hanover County Association.

Here there arose an informal discussion of the recent meeting of the General Association at Mount Olive. It was stated that at that meeting there was some disposition to object to the use of C. F. T. cars. Mr. S. J. Jones said that in his opinion it would not be well for a sub-association to take final action in the matter, it being more properly the business of the General Association.

The chairman stated that the object of the meeting at Wallace was to decide whether a shipping master should be employed, and a package tag be used. He wished to get the opinion of the New Hanover truckers so as to be able to represent them intelligently. The duty of the shipping clerk, he explained, will be to so distribute shipments as to prevent the glutting of the markets; to furnish information to any member of the Association desiring it; to see that cars are properly cared for, and, in general, to exercise an oversight over the interests of the truck farmers so far as shipping and the choice of commission merchants were concerned.

It was stated that free transportation had been tendered to the shipping master, in case one should be appointed, as well as a committee to go North to select commission merchants.

The use of package tags was thought advisable, as by selling them to individual members needed funds could be raised, and, bearing the name of the General Association, they will entitle the smallest shipper to the same advantages as the largest.

After a discussion, in which Messrs. C. H. Heide, W. A. Wright, Capt. S. W. Noble and others took part, it was moved to authorize Mr. Westbrook to exercise his own judgment in the matter.

It was suggested by the chairman that if the different commission merchants had deposits in one or more of the Wilmington banks it would save the small shippers, who have no bank account, the expense of collections. So it was moved that the secretary write the commission merchants requesting them to make deposits as described.

After a vote of thanks to the newspaper representatives and a few remarks by Mr. Woodard, of the C. F. T. Company, the meeting adjourned.

Death of Mr. Nat Quince.

The STAR regrets to announce the death of Mr. Nathaniel Hill Quince, which occurred yesterday in Dublin, Ga. Mr. Quince was a resident of this city up to two months ago, when with his family he went to Dublin, Ga., to accept a position with the Pritchett Bros., dealers in naval stores. Soon after his arrival in Dublin he was taken sick with the grip, which afterwards developed into pneumonia and caused his death.

The deceased was for many years bookkeeper for Holmes & Watters, Bridgers & Rankin, Vollers & Hashagen and other business firms in this city, and was for a long time purser of the Carolina Yacht Club. He was a son of the late John Baptist Quince, and a brother of Mr. Geo. Quince, of Florida, Mrs. Geo. Myers and Mrs. Geo. LeGrand, of this city. He was in the 39th year of his age and leaves a wife and two children.

The remains will arrive in the city to-morrow, and the funeral will be held at St. James Church at p. m.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

New Dress Goods in latest checks at 25c per yard at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

Job in Fancy Silks only 19c per yard at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

Japanese Paper Screens just received at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s only 25c. †

NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

Bill Providing For the Appointment of a Board of Finance.

The following bill was introduced in the Senate Saturday by Senator Geo. W. Cannon, of Brunswick:

An Act to appoint a Board of Finnace for the county of New Hanover.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

First. That J. W. Norwood, DeWitt C. Love, J. G. L. Gieschen, John S. Armstrong, Henry C. McQueen, William H. Chadbourn, Samuel Bear, Jr., D. L. Gore, and John L. Divine, of the city of Wilmington, be, and they are hereby, appointed special commissioners, who shall constitute and be styled "The Board of Finance of the County of New Hanover."

Second. The three Commissioners first above named shall continue in office until the 31st day of December A. D 1898; the three next thereafter named until the 31st day of December A. D. 1900, and the three last above named until the 31st day of December A. D. 1902.

Third. The members of said Board shall not receive any compensation for their services, and shall not be or deemed to be regarded as holding an office of trust and profit, within the purview of the constitution or law of the State of North Carolina.

Fourth. Before entering on their duties the members of said Board shall, before some justice of the peace, take and subscribe the oath prescribed in section four of Article VI. of the Constitution of North Carolina.

Fifth. That the Governor of the State shall fill any vacancy occurring among the members of said Board during their term of office, and shall, at the expiration of the terms of the Commissioners herein appointed, appoint from among the electors of the county of New Hanover discreet and proper persons to fill their said places, who shall hold their offices for six years, thence next ensuing their appointment.

Sixth. The Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county shall levy no tax whatever for county purposes on the real and personal property of said county, unless an estimate and the rate of assessment of the taxes so to be levied shall be first submitted to the said Board of Audit and Finance and approved by at least five of the members. The said estimate shall specify the amount required during the fiscal year for each and every purpose whatsoever, and the amount which will be required, so nearly as can be estimated, to meet the necessary expenditures of the county government.

Seventh. That said Board of Finance shall prescribe the compensation of the chairman of the Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county.

Eighth. That whenever a tax shall be levied for a special purpose, the amount collected therefrom shall be applied to no other purpose, and shall any amount remain after the special purpose for which it shall have been levied has been met, and paid for the current year, then such surplus shall be held by the Treasurer of New Hanover county as a sinking fund to be only used for and exclusively applied to the payment of the principal and interest of the bonded debt of the said county of New Hanover.

Ninth. That all laws and parts of law in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed and this act shall be in force and take effect from and after the ratification of the same.

MORE ABOUT FRIDAY NIGHT'S FIRE.

George Cox Perished in the Flames—Losses and Insurance—Mr. I. Shrier Will Rebuild.

It was stated in the account of the fire of night before last that George Cox was supposed to have perished. A search in the rubbish and smouldering timbers yesterday morning revealed his body—or a smoked and charred semblance of it. The arms and legs had been burned completely off and what remained showed small signs of having been a few hours before a strong, active man. The body was wrapped in a blanket and carried to an undertaker's shop on Second street to be prepared for burial. An inquest was considered unnecessary.

It seems strange that he did not make his escape in the same way others did. But it is supposed that he was dazed and lost his presence of mind. One report has it that he was drinking. A gentleman who knew him well, however, says that he was not a drinking man.

He leaves a wife and two children, who were carried to the City Hospital Friday night. He was a patent medicine dealer.

The following facts about losses and insurance were ascertained yesterday: The store on Front street owned by Mr. I. Shrier and occupied by Mr. C. D. Jacobs and Joseph Lucas was valued at $8,000. It was insured for $1,500, of which $1,200 was with Willard & Giles, $200 with W. W. Hodges and $100 with Atkinson & Son. Mr. Shrier will shortly give the contract for the erection of a handsome two or three story brick store on the site of the one that was burned on Front street. The store on Mulberry street, occupied by W. H. Moore, stationer, also belonged to Mr. Shrier. It was valued at $750, and insured with Atkinson & Son for $300. Moore had his stock insured for $300 with Dr. W. W. Harriss. He has moved to Water street, near Mulberry (next to Mr. Steljes' saloon).

There was only $600 insurance on the entire property belonging to the estate of the late John Maunder. The value of the property was estimated as being not less than $3,000. Insurance with Col. Walker Taylor.

Sternberger Bros. had their stock insured for $1,300; $500 with J. H. Boatwright & Son, $300 with Col. Walker Taylor, $200 with F. H. Stedman, $200 with Atkinson & Son and $200 with Willard & Giles. This amount will hardly cover the loss. The firm has moved into No. 10 Market street.

The insurance on furniture belonging to Mr. A. S. Holden was $600, with J. H. Bostwright & Son. The property was so badly damaged that Mr. Holden thinks the insurance will not more than cover the loss. Mr. J. J. Clemmons, who also occupied rooms in the Carolina Central building, had his furniture insured for $300, with J. H. Boatwright & Son.

Window Shades made to order, all widths, at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s †

Balance of Eiderdowns, all shades, at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s—only 25c. †

Lace striped White Goods worth 15c this week 9c at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

QUESTIONS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE.

"Fellow Servant" Bill Becomes a Law—The Cigarette Question—Bill to Amend Charter of Raleigh Introduced—To Appoint Board of Finance for New Hanover, Etc.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, February 20.—Bills introduced in the House—To make it discretionary with the State Treasurer when to pay annual appropriations—monthly, quarterly or annually; to provide a dispensary for Asheville; to allow the Clerk of the Court of Bladen county to be absent Mondays; to pay solicitors $200 a month after January 1st, 1898.

By Hileman—To provide that the Treasurer shall collect from all persons or corporations doing a banking business under State license one per cent. of the capital stock which has been actually paid in by the stockholders, and that he shall use this fund to pay guarantees against any loss to the State; banks which refuse for ten days to pay this one per cent. shall be closed and a receiver appointed; to adjourn February 22d in honor of George Washington; to provide for working convicts on public roads in Wilson and Wayne counties; to make an itemized statement of an account properly verified *prima facie* evidence of its correctness; to incorporate Joseph B. Cheshire, Jr., W. A. Erwin, Robert Strange, W. J. Green, Thos. F. Davidson and others, trustees of St. Mary's School at Raleigh or at such other place as may be determined; to pay surveyors for surveying lands in dispute five dollars instead of two.

Roberts, rising to a question of personal privilege, said the *News and Observer's* charge that his committee acted on bills without a quorum was false.

Sutton, of New Hanover, said the same. He said he had at the committee meeting brought up a bill to change the charter of Wilmington and declared that it was not objectionable and did not injure the best interests of the city and that the bill had been favorably reported unanimously.

Walters said that he had never read the charter of Wilmington in question; that a bill to amend the charter had been referred to a committee of which Schulken was chairman; that Schulken had turned this over to him; that he was informed by Sutton, of New Hanover, that Governor Russell wished to see the bill; that he gave it to Schulken to hand to the Governor; that last night Sutton gave him a typewritten copy of the bill; that he he had never read the bill before; that Fagan, Cathey and others had not read it. Sutton, he said, when the bill was before the committee, asked that a favorable report be made; that the bill was not read because of his statement that it was all right. Fagan said he had stated that he did not know all that was in the bill; that it was not read, but that it was favorably reported as Sutton stated. Cathey said he was not present at the meeting and did not know anything of the bill; that the use of his name was unauthorized and had injured him. Freeman spoke in defence of the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns, and said it transacted business openly and said the paper was hitting at Republicans and "also thrusting their firebrands at Populists." Eddins said he knew nothing of that charter of Wilmington; that once or twice he had not attended meetings; that in signing a minority report he had simply done his duty regardless of politics. Walters said no one had made any positive insinuations that he had not read the bill to amend the charter which was before the Committee on Corporation; that he did not believe two members of the committee would say they had read the bill which was before the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns, and if he was not correct he called on them to say so. No one rose.

The House took up the special order, a bill making it unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to manufacture, sell or give away cigarettes of any kind, the penalty to be a fine or imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

Sutton, of Cumberland, its author, spoke strongly in its behalf.

Blackburn said the law would hurt tobacco growers; that he opposed any prohibitory legislation.

Hancock offered an amendment, that no smoking tobacco or cigarette paper should be manufactured in the State.

Lusk offered a substitute, making it unlawful to give away cigarettes to minors or for any minor to make them, and making it a misdemeanor; also allowing minors to be introduced as witnesses when caught with cigarettes to give evidence against the persons who furnished them with them.

Eddins said the cigarette interests had a lobby in the House.

Duffy said he did not believe the State had the right to enact such a law. White was applauded when he said he was a tobacco raiser and favored the bill. The vote on Lusk's substitute was, yeas 46, nays 34. The substitute then became the bill and it passed third reading, yeas 66, nays 28.

Duffy, rising to a question of personal privilege, presented a protest, signed by all Democratic members, against the ruling of the Speaker last night in the bill appointing cotton weighers for Wadesboro, Lilesville and Monroe. Lusk, in the chair, refused to allow the protest to be spread on the journal, holding it was not in order.

The bill to amend the charter of Raleigh, making election of all city officers by popular vote, was introdued.

Senate bills introduced, to authorize sale of standing timber for partition in common among tenants; for relief of sureties of J. M. Brown, of Bladen; to protect innocent persons from misrepresentation; by Cannon, bill to appoint Board of Finance of New Hanover; to prohibit sale of liquor within three miles of Tabor Methodist church, Cumberland county.

Bills passed: To refund bonded debt of Cumberland; to allow express matter to be transported Sundays; for the relief of ex-Sheriff Demant, of Brunswick; to amend the resolution of the Legislature, ratified February 16, 1877, relating to Cumberland county; to authorize commissioners of Brunswick and Duplin counties to levy special tax.

The "fellow servant" bill, prescribing liabilities of railways, passed unanimously, and is now a law.

Bills introduced: To prevent discrimination in jury lists.

By Mr. Butler, to improve the public school system.

The bill to investigate complaints of Mrs. Pattie B. Arrington, appointing a committee, consisting of Senators McCaskey, Maxwell and Person, of the House, was taken up. Mr. Smathers favored the bill, while Messrs. Parker and Butler opposed it. A motion to table was defeated—yeas, 17; nays, 22. Bill passed third reading.

RALEIGH NEWS LETTER.

MARSHALL MOTT OPPOSED TO PROPOSED CHANGE OF WILMINGTON'S CHARTER.

Rev. R. H. W. Leak the Victim of a Practical Joke—Minority Populists to Divide the Offices Allotted to Them—Gen. Ransom Spoken of as a Successor to Judge Seymour.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 20.

Rev. R. H. W. Leak announced from his pulpit last Sunday that he had been invited by President McKinley to be of his escort from Canton to Washington. Rev. Leak was for the next few days the recipient of much newspaper advertising. Jas. Young, Rev. Leak's deadly political enemy, was of course set back for the time being, but to-day Jim is exhibiting a letter from Maj. McKinley which states that Parson Leak has been the victim of a practical joke and that no such invitation has been sent him.

The minority caucus will meet Monday and nominate candidates for the various offices allotted them.

Marshall Mott is violently opposed to the bill introduced to change Wilmington's charter by giving the Governor the appointment of five aldermen. "If," says Mott, "there is one thing the Republican party is in favor of it is local self-government. For twenty-five years we denounced the Democratic party for electing magistrates by the Legislature, but the attempt to throw the cities and towns of the State into Republican hands by Executive force is ten times worse than the election of magistrates by the Legislature. It is the most outrageous attempt at political tyranny ever attempted in the State. You can say for me that I do not believe the Governor is a party to it and believe that it will meet with his unqualified disapproval."

Jim Young has given up the idea of introducing a bill to give Raleigh a police commission. His idea is to have every officer elected by popular vote.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

It is rumored on what seems to be good authority that President Cleveland will appoint Minister Matt Ransom Judge, to succeed Seymour. It is believed the Senate would confirm Ransom's appointment.

ENTERTAINMENT

At Lecture Room of the First Baptist Church—Programme.

An entertainment of a very high order will be given in the lecture room of the First Baptist Church, beginning at 8.15 o'clock sharp, next Tuesday night. The programme, which follows, gives sufficient guarantee that the entertainment will be all that is claimed for it.

PROGRAMME.

Overture—Second Regiment Band Orchestra—Miss Foster, Prof. Bernard and Messrs. Schloss, Willson, Martin, Rehder and Alderman.
Duet—"The Fishermen"—James D. Smith and A. S. Holden.
Solo—"A Day Dream"—Miss Lidie Whiting.
Male Quartette—"The Kerry Dance"—Messrs. Fowler, Cooper, Holden and Grant.
Recitation—"Searching For the Slain"—W. P. Oldham, Jr.
Piano Duet—Selection—Messrs. A. H. Brenner and E. H. Munson.
Solo—"My Prayer"—Mrs. J. W. Thorburn.
Violin and 'Cello Duet—Selected—Misses Louise Corbett and Bessie D. Burtt.
Mixed Quartette—"Slumber Song"—Miss Carrie White, Miss Elsie Calder, and Messrs. Cooper and Holden.
Solo—"The Old Sexton"—Mr. R. H. Grant.
Recitation—"The Lighthouse"—Russell Foster.
Male Quartette—"Schubert's Serenade"—Messrs. Smith, Cooper, Holden and Grant.

Magistrates' Courts.

James Anderson, colored, was before Justice Fowler yesterday, charged with assault and battery. He was adjudged guilty, but judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

In 'Squire McGowan's Court Fannie Williams, colored, was arraigned, charged with disorderly conduct. She was let off upon payment of the costs of the action.

Deputy Sheriff Flynn yesterday arrested Belle Washington, colored, on a warrant, charging her with running a gambling house. She will be given a hearing before Justice Bunting next Saturday afternoon.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents. This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Boys' Tam O'Shanter Caps at 50c, worth 75c, this week at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

See the 10c Torchon edge and insertion at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s this week. †

Fifty-cent Windsor Ties 25c at C. W. Polvogt & Co.'s. †

THE MORNING STAR.

Are you a subscriber to THE MORNING STAR? If not, why not? Do you want a first-class daily paper at $5.00 per year, or $1.25 for three months? If so, subscribe to THE MORNING STAR.

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Do not forget that THE MORNING STAR is the cheapest daily of its class in North Carolina. Its price is $5.00, while the published price of others ranges from $7.00 to $8.00.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, Fourth street, above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock. No service at night. Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. Seats all free, and every person cordially invited.

St. John's church, Rev. J. Carmichael, D. D., rector—Service to-day at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 4 p. m.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt pastor. English services at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. The Rev. N. G. Voigt, D. D., will preach at both services. Sunday school at 3.30 p. m. All seats free.

COLORED CHURCHES.

St. Stephen's A. M. E. church, corner Fifth and Red Cross streets, Rev. E. J. Gregg pastor. Preaching to-day at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Evening subject, "The Resurrection." Everybody invited to worship with us.

Rev. Dr. J. Allen Kirk, of Boston Mass., will preach at the Central Baptist church Sunday. Subject at 10.30 o'clock: "The Way Into the Kingdom;" at 3 o'clock, "God Moving in Front;" 8 o'clock. "Come and See."

DIED.

QUINCE—In Dublin, Ga., of pneumonia, on February 20, NATHANIEL HILL QUINCE, in his 39th year.

Funeral from St. James' Church, Monday, 3 p. m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Where You Can Find Us.

ALTHOUGH OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF Groceries, etc., was destroyed by fire Friday night, yet we are still able to furnish a select line of Groceries, and we can be found at No. 10 Market street, between Front and Water.
feb 21 1t STERNBERGER BROS.

A Washington Tea Party

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE "MINIStering Circle of the King's Daughters" will be held at the residence of Mrs. C. H. Robinson, corner of Front and Nun streets, on Monday, February 22nd, 1897. Refreshments served from 5 to 10 o'clock. All the friends of "THE SHELTER" are cordially invited to attend. Contributions to the mite box will be most welcome. feb 21 1t

Sociable

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF HIBERNIAN Benevolent Society at Hibernian Hall, Tuesday evening, February 23, 1897. Music, dancing and refreshments. Ticket admitting lady and gentleman $1 00 feb 21 1t

Entertainment.

THE LADIES OF THE FIRST BAPTIST Church will give an Entertainment in the Lecture Room of the church on next Tuesday night, Feb. 23. The exercises will begin promptly at 8.15. Admission, 25 cents. feb 21 1t

Executrix Notice.

HAVING QUALIFIED AS EXECUTRIX of the last Will and Testament of John Maunder, deceased, I hereby notify all persons indebted to my said testator to make immediate payment to me, and those to whom my said testator is indebted will present their claims to me before the 20th day of February, 1898, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This the 20th day of February, 1897.
MARTHA F. MAUNDER, Executrix.
A. J. MARSHALL, Attorney.
feb 21 6t sun

Europe.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO join a select, limited party of ladies and gentlemen for travel through Europe in the coming summer. The tour embraces Scotland, England, France, Switzerland, Italy, Germany (the Rhine), and Holland. Apply at once for membership and full particulars to Rev. C. L. Hoffmann, Charlotte, N. C.
feb 7 tf sun

FRESH CRACKERS.

25 Boxes Lemon Crackers.
25 Boxes Sugar Crackers.
25 Boxes Vanilla Crackers.
25 Boxes Soda Crackers.
25 Boxes Ginger Snaps.

W. B. COOPER.
feb 21 tf D&W Wilmington, N. C.

OPERA HOUSE.

MONDAY, FEB. 22ND, AFTERNOON AND NIGHT.
America's Distinguished Actress,
EUGENIE BLAIR,
Supported by a Company of Competent Players.
Monday Night, "JANE EYRE."
Special Matinee at 3, "EAST LYNNE"
Prices as usual. Seats on sale at Gerken's Saturday. feb 19 3t

This Week
AT THE "UNLUCKY CORNER"
FINE GRANULATED SUGAR,
MIXED TEA, SOAP.
Quantity Limited.
Prices and quality will suit you.
S. W. SANDERS.
Telephone 109. feb 21 tf

Dissolution of Copartnership.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE firm of Mills & Montgomery is this day dissolved by mutual consent, F. T. Mills retiring and James A. Montgomery succeeding to the business formerly conducted by said firm. All debts and accounts due said firm, saving and excepting certain notes and accounts due by W. E. Porter, V. Sidbury, S. P. Cowan, S. H. Thomas and E. Millikin, are to be paid to James A. Montgomery. All debts due and owing by said firm are assumed by said James A. Montgomery.
JAMES A. MONTGOMERY,
FRANK T. MILLS.

Having sold out my interest in said firm to James A. Montgomery, I wish to thank the public for the liberal patronage bestowed upon said firm, and hope a continuance of the same for Mr. Montgomery, my successor.
feb 20 3t FRANK T. MILLS.

The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEB. 21, 1897

PAYING THE PENALTY.

Before the election the gold standard papers, both the Republican and so-called Democratic, confidently predicted that if Bryan and free silver were defeated "confidence would be restored," there would be a turning loose of locked-up money, an inflow of foreign capital and good times would come apace. Just after the election when the manufactories went to work to fill the held-up orders they loudly and jubilantly proclaimed that these predictions had been verified, that the industrial revival had already come, the money was being turned loose, more gold was going into the Treasury than there was room for, the railroads were preparing for an immense business and were giving out big contracts for freight cars, rails, &c., and that we might now stand flatfooted and look cheerfully to the future. The spurt lasted about two weeks, or until the held-up orders were filled, and then the dead calm came, and we have had a dead calm ever since.

But from time to time some comforting prophet who supported McKinley, the "advance agent of prosperity," rises to announce that the revival and the good times are not far off, just around the bend, as it were, and some of the organs assure us, on the authority of Mr. Carnegie and other gentlemen who look through telescopes and kaleidoscopes and other devices that cover things at long range or present them with prismatic hues, that "the wave of prosperity is already in sight."

We took occasion just after the election to give our views on the outlook when these jubilant organs were jollifying over the arrival of the long looked for good times, and to remark that the organs were entirely too previous, and asked what was there to bring us any better times than we had when we were confronted by the very same conditions that produced the bad times? And so now, in answer to the assurance that "the wave of prosperity is in sight," we ask what is there to bring it? The West and the South are like squeezed lemons—there is no money in them, and at present prices they have nothing to bring money. The farmers of the West who had wheat to sell sold it, but the buyers who had pretty well gotten possession of the marketable crop before the rise in prices came, made the money. The farmers didn't make it. The bulk of the cotton crop has been disposed of at figures that have left very little margin for profit to the planter. Corn, oats, potatoes, apples, &c., are so low that it will not pay the farmer to market them. With these facts in sight, what is there to warrant the assertion that "the wave of prosperity is in sight?" We wish it was. We would like to catch a glimpse of it, as millions of our fellow citizens would.

The business men of the Northern cities who are now moving for, urging and demanding a reform in our currency system to relieve the country from the pressure do not see the "wave in sight," for if they did they would not be working for a change in the monetary system, and some of the men who are identified with some of the largest money-lending institutions in the North do not see it either, because they take a cool-headed instead of a partisan view of the situation present and prospective.

A gentleman of this city who recently visited New York met and conversed with one of the leading officers of one of the largest trust companies in that city, a company which handles many millions of dollars annually. In aswer to the inquiry as to what he thought of the outlook for a business revival, he shook his head and replied: "We have not reached the bottom yet. The condition that confronts us is beyond our control. There is a gorge of money in our banks, for which in the general stagnation there is no demand. We have in our own vaults $2,000,000 that we would be glad to lend at 1½ per cent. on good security, but we can't find takers. We have lent some at that rate on security that we have taken some chances on. I am sorry to say it, but I cannot at present see anything encouraging in the outlook. Mr. McKinley's supporters have promised too much. They cannot fulfil their promises." That's the opinion of a cool-headed money handler, whose business it is to keep a close eye on the business situation and indications, and would naturally be disposed to recognize and rejoice in any good sign.

Returning home our friend met on the train a resident of the State of Connecticut, a prominent citizen and a capitalist of that State, who was going to spend some time in Florida. He is a Democrat and was a delegate from his State to the Chicago convention. He was a gold standard man and like the rest of his delegation bolted when the convention adopted the free silver plank. He went home and at the election voted for McKinley. He said he thought he was doing what was for the best in supporting McKinley because McKinley stood for "sound money," but he was now satisfied that he and the rest of the Democratic bolters did the very worst thing they could have done. The good times didn't come and he now felt sure they never could come on the narrow-gauge gold standard.

He illustrated by saying that several years ago he and others of his State had loaned to a land company in Nebraska $100,000 on landed security. For a time the interest was paid, but as money became scarce in the West and prices continued to fall the company defaulted on the interest, the value of the lands depreciated and they would now be glad to get 50 cents on the dollar of the money they had loaned. The only hope he now saw was in a speedy return to the double standard and an appreciation in values that would enable the Western people to pay their debts. If he had to do it over again, with the light of experience before him, he would vote for Bryan and the double standard.

Here are the views of two Eastern men, both gold standard men, both money lenders, both supporters of McKinley and both of whom would prefer to speak differently if they could honestly do so. They both took their choice, took their chances, and are now paying the penalty.

MINOR MENTION.

The question of the lease of the North Carolina Railroad will come up in the Senate within the next few days. What the result will be it is difficult to forecast, for victory is claimed in advance by both sides. Enough is known, however, to indicate that the majority either way will be small, with the chances rather in favor of letting the lease stand. It is proposed now by Senator Grant, of Wayne, who is said to be friendly to the leasing company, to investigate the lease, the object presumably being to ascertain whether there were any improper methods employed to secure the 99 year lease. As far as we have seen there has been no charge of corruption and it is not likely that the investigation will develop anything that is not already known to the public. In discussing the proposed investigation the Raleigh *News and Observer* makes the following points:

"1. That the lease was made six years before the necessity of taking action.

"2. That it was hurried up in the face of a request from the president of the Seaboard Air Line stating that his road would like to bid if the directors could turn over the road.

"3. That no public notice of the purpose of the meeting at which the lease was consummated was made.

"4. That no advertisement for bids was inserted in any newspaper, or other effort made to secure competition.

"5. That the directors were threatened that if they did not accept the terms offered. the Southern would parallel the North Carolina road and desrtoy its value in so far as it could be done."

Here are five statements of alleged facts, only one of which there is any question about, any one of which would be sufficient to demand and justify a reconsideration of the action taken, but all of which combind present an unanswerable argument in favor of reconsideration. If under these circumstances the lease had been made for 30, 20 or even 10 years, the propriety of the action taken would have been questionable enough, but when the lease could have been made for 30 years, the period of the former lease, there is no apparent reason or justification for a 99 year lease, which is tantamount to a sale, on the payment of a stipulated annuity.

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Mr. Hill, President of the Northwestern Railroad system, who claimed to be a life-long Democrat, but bolted the Chicago Convention, and used all his influence to secure the election of McKinley, as a "sound money" man, declared just before the election that prosperity was just two weeks ahead, but after waiting four months for his prediction to materialize, he has revised it, and now says times will not improve till the people begin to pay their debts. This remark applies especially to the West, with which Mr. Hill and his railroad system are most closely identified. Now if Mr. Hill will loom up and explain how people who haven't any money to pay their debts can pay them he will doubtless confer a great favor not only on the people of the West, but of other sections where they are scuffling mighty hard to get enough of the wherewith to meet their daily necessities. Mr. Hill thought we had an excellent monetary system, and denounced as a heresy the demand for free silver, which would have added to the volume of our currency and made it easier for people to get money to pay their debts. He was dreadfully afraid that money would thus become too plentiful, but the probabilities are that if he expressed his honest sentiments now he wouldn't object to at least a small increase. Experience sometimes knocks out the theories of even bigger men than Mr. Hill.

An autopsy of Duestrow, the wife and child murderer of St. Louis, who a few days ago paid the penalty on the gallows, revealed the fact that he had white spots on his brain. It also established the fact that he had a human brain, which from the brutal murder of his wife and child, might be doubted.

Health and vigor are essential for success. Therefore make yourself strong and healthy by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. †

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Another nugget of gold weighing four pounds was found Wednesday at the Ingram-Crawford mine in Stanly county.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Mrs. Alex. West, of Sand Hill township, died Monday, aged about 70 years. —— Mr. George Edgar Cummings died Saturday afternoon of pneumonia, aged 19 years.

— Chatham *Record*: A Chatham farmer said the other day that he was making preparations to raise more five cent cotton, and he thought that there will be more fertilizers sold this year than ever before.

— Greenville *Reflector*: We are pained to hear of the death of Mrs. Patsie Ann Moore, widow of Mr. William Moore, which occurred this (Thursday) morning about 8 o'clock, near Haddock's X Roads. She had been sick for some time.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: The demand for a dispensary at this place has revived. A meeting of citizens was held in the reading room last Tuesday afternoon and plans were formulated for getting a bill and petition before our law makers.

— Charlotte *News*: Mrs. Mary Davidson died at the residence of daughter, Mrs. Latta C. Johnston Wednesday night, aged 69 years. She was the widow of Dr. William Davidson, a sister of Mrs. J. B. Rankin and the late Col. William Johnston.

— Concord *Standard*: Miss Lula Perkins died at her home in this city Wednesday night. She was about 17 years old. —— Mr. Jim M. Loman is boring a well for the Misses Nickolson, who live on Mill street. On Wednesday afternoon a rich gold vein was struck and the auger brought to the surface several fine specimens of gold ore.

— Monroe *Journal*: Mr. J. G. Long, of Goose Creek, is just 60 years old, and yesterday had never subscribed for or taken a newspaper in his life. —— Sixteen years and six months is the aggregate sentences of the chain gang at the last court. Do away with the chain gang and all these prisoners are left on the county. To keep them their time out would cost the county just $1,792.

— Elizabeth City *Economist*: Departed this life on Wednesday night, at his late residence on Dry Point, of pneumonia, Mr. Gibbs F. Liverman, aged 34 years. Mr. Liverman was a native of Tyrrell county, and for several years he has been a worthy and highly respected citizen of this town. —— Mr. Charles Williams departed this life on Monday morning at his late residence on Poindexter street, near the railroad depot. He died of pneumonia, followed by heart trouble. —— Hyde county has added the robin industry to her other resources. On a late trip the steamer brought over 4,000 for market. —— Alonzo Johnson, of Tyrrell county last week picked up a gun, supposed to be empty, pointed it at Lewis Dillion. The gun went off and Dillion got a buck shot load in his body, in consequence of which he died.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Possibly Major McKinley would have less trouble with his appointments if he would remember that he is to be President of the United States, and not merely of the Republican party.—*Phil. Ledger, Ind.*

—— The cheapening of steel rails means more than a saving to the railroad companies. It means steady work hereafter for the steel-making industries, the removal of many wornout tracks which should have been relaid sooner, diminished liability to accidents and increased comfort and safety for all travellers. —*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— Of all the exasperating hypocrites who ever afflicted a people this Senator Chandler is easily chief. He knows that the party he helped to power was pushed there by the combined efforts of those who were determined that the views set forth in Chandler's speeches should not be made law. He knew what the issue was last November; why did he not speak then?—*Charleston Sun, Dem.*

—— According to testimony given by Charles R. Flint, of the Rubber Trust, yesterday, the total capitalization of nine companies taken into the Trust was less than four and a half millions. According to the general rule of capitalization this would have been more than double the actual investment, yet against this stock, watered already, the Trust issued $26,000,000 in new shares, or nearly six to one. Why should not fraud be checked? Why not enforce the laws and make business stability possible?—*N. Y. World, Dem.*

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Rev. R. C. Beaman, recently appointed by the North Carolina Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, has made his appointments for the first round, as follows:

Jacksonville and Richlands, at Jacksonville, February 20, 21.

Elizabeth circuit, at Elizabethtown, February 27. 28.

Kenansville circuit, at Kenansville, March 6, 7.

Onslow circuit, at Queen's Creek, March 13, 14.

Brunswick circuit, at Concord, March 20, 21.

Columbus circuit, Evergreen, March 27, 28.

Whiteville and Fair Bluff, Whiteville (night), March 28.

Waccamaw circuit, Shiloh, March 30.

Magnolia circuit, Magnolia, April 3, 4.

Bladen circuit, at Bethlehem, April 10, 11.

Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption.

This is the best medicine in the world for all forms of Coughs and Colds and for Consumption. Every bottle is guaranteed. It will cure and not disappoint. It has no equal for Whooping Cough, Asthma, Hay Fever, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, La Grippe, Cold in the Head and for Consumption. It is safe for all ages, pleasant to take, and above all, a sure cure. It is always well to take Dr. King's New Life Pills in connection with Dr. King's New Discovery, as they regulate and tone the stomach and bowels. We guarantee perfect satisfaction or return money. Free trial bottles at R. R. BELLAMY's Drug Store. Regular size 50 cents and $1.00. †

—"Have you got any high-grade wheels?" "Yes." "Well, I want one I can use on Pike's Peak."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

THE OLD GRIND

Sometimes I look upon the rich
  With envy in my breast,
And think how pleasant it would be
  To just "saw off" and rest—
To smoke cigars and loaf around,
  While others worked away—
With plenty "salted down," of course,
  For the future rainy day.

Oh, what a joy 'twould be to tell
  The man who bosses me
That I was tired of his style—
  To brace up and be free.
And in the lazy mornings, how
  I'd like to lie abed.
And what a pleasure to get out
  And be a thoroughbred!

Such thoughts I have sometimes, but when
  I'm ill and have to stay
Indoors a day or two, ah, then
  My envy fades away!
I think of all the boys at work,
  And know no peace of mind,
Until they let me out and I
  Resume the same old grind!

—*Cleveland Leader.*

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— The greatest duty is the present one.

— A better thing than riches is contentment without them.

— Work for Christ will fail, unless it is done in a Christ-like spirit.

— We should never be anxious about God's part of our work.

— There is such a thing as a prayer-meeting being prayed to death.

—How much it would shorten our long prayers in church, if we would only pray for what we are willing to work for.

— Men have been known to pray in church for something to do when their wives had to saw nearly all of the wood.

— The man who was fined a few days ago for striking a match on the nose of a famous statue, has his counterpart in the one who uses the floor of a church for a cuspidor.—*Greensboro Christian Advocate.*

— Heiho! old age is stern and sad, but not unbeautiful if we would guide it wisely. Try to keep a little pity in thy heart; in spite of all mad contradictions, try to maintain a small altar flame burning there.—*Thomas Carlyle.*

— Christian contentment creates cheerfulness of mind and brightens every condition in life. It secures the divine favor, love, and blessing. It fosters conscientiousness, conserves morals, and delivers from numerous temptations and ills. Thus viewed, it is a prize worthy of every honest effort, a golden crown which should circle every brow, a glory which should adorn every character, and a treasure which should enrich every life.—*The Presbyterian.*

— The "word of the Lord endureth forever." That is what we need; something that endures forever; something that does not depend on human stability; nor on human prescience; nor even on human life. These are all uncertain. We have tried them. We can only put our trust in that which abides through all vicissitudes; that endures through all circumstances and triumphs in all tests. Such is the word of the Lord, and this word is the Gospel.

TWINKLINGS.

—He—"That is a criminal lawyer." She—"Why don't they arrest him?"

— Hamlet—"Did your company enjoy a long run in the West?"

Omelet—"No; but we enjoyed an almost interminable walk."

— Mother Took a Hand: Visitor "Your father was an old whaler, wasn't he, Tommy?"

Tommy—"Yes, but ma did her share."

— Easily Altered: Lady of Certain Age—"I like this dress, but it doesn't match my complexion."

Candid Friend—"Oh, that's but a trifle; you can alter your complexion to suit!"

— "Are you in favor of one-cent postage, Barclay?"

"Yes, except on love letters; I don't think courting ought to be made any cheaper."—*Chicago Record.*

— How He Wanted It: Spring Poet—"I should like to write for your paper. You want the manuscript sheets blank on one side, don't you?"

Managing Editor—"On both sides, if you please."—*Judy.*

— Mr. Dukane—"That man yonder seems very pensive. Do you suppose he is in love?"

Mr. Gaswell—"Oh, no; that's impossible. I know him very well. He's married."—*Pittsbug Chronicle Telegraph.*

—During the reign of Charles 11., one Signor Leti proposed to write a history of the court. You will give offence," urged his friends.

"Were I as wise as Solomon." said Leti, "I coule not avoid that.",

"Then be as wise." rejoined the king, who was present, "and write proverbs, not history."—*Household Words.*

It was in an Irish court that a man was called into the witness box not long ago and being old and just a little blind he went too far, in more than one sense, and, instead of going up the stairs that led to box, mounted those that led to the bench. Said the judge, good-naturedly: "Is it a judge you wish to be, my man?" "Ah, sure, your honor," was the reply I'm an old man now and may be it's all I'm fit for."—*Household Words.*

Famous Detectives.

England has produced many famous detectives, but notwithstanding the skill of the present Scotland Yard officials and their immediate predecessors they do not seem to hold anything like the record that American and French officials can produce. Even America would seem to rank second to France, where the system of espionage is of long standing. The intrigues of court, and notably of the French court in the middle ages, seem to have bred the detective spirit among Frenchmen, and today, as of old, it is a notorious fact that secret service is in vogue to immense dimensions. Men are followed everywhere and their movements watched. One does not know who may be a spy, and even in private circles a so called friend may be the agent of the government. This sort of thing constitutes the Frenchman as a natural detective, with the consequence that large numbers of them possess a remarkable facility for ferreting out criminals and political offenders. This also accounts for the acknowledged fact that crimes are more surely traced back to offenders there than they are here and elsewhere. The number of undiscovered crimes in England vastly exceeds that of France, notwithstanding the much larger population.—Brooklyn Citizen.

When Making Fast the Flag Halyards.

"Many a slender flagpole has been ruined," said a rigger, "by drawing the halyards down too snugly when making them fast after hauling down the flag. If this is done in dry weather and it comes on wet, the shrinking of the halyards thus drawn taut to start with may be enough to bend the pole, and if it should be left in that way long enough the pole would be permanently bent. Flag halyards, when no flag is flying, should be made fast with a little slack."—New York Sun.

By No Means Behind.

Yeast—Your landlady says you are behind with your board.

Crimsonbeak—Well, she's dead wrong. I'm ahead. I owe her $45.—Yonkers Statesman.

Confession.

Aunt Matilda—Why do you look so utterly wretched, Jimmy?

Jimmy—I'm on good behavior, ma'am, when we has company.—London Tit-Bits.

WHAT THE CHILDREN MAY EAT.

Wholesome and Appetizing Dishes For Youthful Digestion.

Catering for the children's eating is one of the most trying as it is one of the most important parts of the modern mother's household duties. The word modern is used advisedly, for it is only recently that mothers have realized that what their children eat is a powerful physical and moral agent in their development. Health, temper and, to a certain extent, ability, all wait upon digestion and digestion upon wholesome living. The growing generation itself understands this. "Send me some whole wheat bread," writes a college athlete to his mother. "I can't train on this bolted flour stuff." He was used to the other and missed its nourishment.

How to give her children the food they need and yet satisfy the childish craving for various unwholesome edibles is the problem that confronts the painstaking chatelaine every morning when she goes to the kitchen for a talk about the day's meals with the priestess of that domain. A few simple facts will help her. One is that cooked over meat is most indigestible. It may be heated through in a hot gravy or minced fine and rolled in a ball of mashed potato, but for youthful stomachs it should not be twice brought to the cooking point. Meat pies are most wholesome when made of fresh meat, and with a biscuit rather than a pastry crust.

A vegetable pie is a dish children usually like. To make it, a deep dish should be filled with sliced potatoes, onions, chopped carrots and turnips, a few bits of butter put on top, a seasoning of salt and a very little white pepper, and the dish nearly filled with gravy or stock. Cook the vegetables until nearly tender before putting on a biscuit crust. Tomatoes sliced and alternated with carrots, onions and macaroni, or mushrooms and potatoes, with a very little onion, or a potato pie with onions and apples to flavor it—are all variations of this dish. A pound of juicy, fresh steak, minced fine and alternating with sliced potatoes, the whole covered with a thin crust, or a layer of grated bread crumbs, put on only long enough to brown before being taken from the oven, is another nourishing and very appetizing pie. Green salads with French dressing should be much oftener found in the children's menu than they are, and fruit, raw early in the day, but cooked when served at night. As to cake, rich puddings and pies, instead of the sweeping "never" of some mothers, the more moderate scheme of one recently met seems wisest.

"I give the children," said she, "cake and sweets just often enough to prevent their feeling aggrieved. I got the hint from my oldest boy some years ago, when he came to me one day with the plaint: 'Why don't we ever have cake or pies? Other fellows do. I hear them say so.' As to candy, a not infrequent dessert with us is a dish of good candy, homemade if possible, but pure at all events."—New York Times.

Intelligent Law.

A man stood on the platform of a New York elevated station and waited until a train was close at hand, and then leaped down on the track to be crushed to death. It was a deliberately planned suicide. As soon as the mangled remains were taken from under the wheels the engineer and fireman were arrested and sent off to the station.

"It was a plain, straight case of suicide, wasn't it?" I asked of the policeman.

"Oh, yes," he replied.

"The engineer couldn't have stopped the train?"

"No, sir."

"And the fireman hadn't anything to do with it?"

"Of course not."

"Then why were they arrested?"

"Why, sir—why? Why were they arrested? Because, sir—because they were, and if you've hung around here long enough you'd better be going!"

There have been eight or ten such cases in the last two or three years, and up to date I have failed to find any satisfactory explanation as to the arrests. They might with equal justice arrest the conductors and the ticket choppers, but they never do. —Detroit Free Press.

A Score Settled.

It was at a reception the other afternoon, and it was still so early and the comers so few that conversation was possible. They met, the two women who have hated and kissed each other these two years. "Yes," said one, "I've been so busy all week —sewing, you know, for my little girl." "You're so industrious, my dear," said the other, "and so ambitious to attempt so much. I'm sure I shouldn't dare, I sew so badly." "Oh! I'm sure you underrate your skill," returned the one, with a smile like a rapier thrust. "I'm sure that gown you have on looks very well, indeed." And every one within earshot knew that a score had been settled.—Washington Post.

It Had a Different Ring.

"As a new woman," he said, "I suppose you will object to the wedding ring as a symbol of man's tyranny."

"Of course I shall," she replied. "Under no circumstances would I consent to wear such a thing. It is not essential to a marriage and it stands for all that is objectionable in the marriage relation."

"And on the same theory," he continued, "I suppose you will refuse to wear an engagement ring also."

"Well, no," she answered slowly and thoughtfully. "That's a very different matter."

"But, theoretically it"—

"There is no use arguing," she interrupted. "I don't care what it is theoretically. Practically it is very often a diamond, while the wedding ring is only plain gold, and that makes all the difference in the world."—Chicago Post.

Would Admit of No Frills.

Tramp—Madam, do you speak French?

Lady of the House (suspiciously)—No.

"Do you speak German?"

"No."

"Nor Spanish."

"No. What do you"—

"Then, madam, I fear that I shall have to ask you for something to eat in plain English."—Chicago Record.

Getting the Good Out.

Landlady—I believe in letting coffee boil for 30 minutes. That's the only way to get the good out of it.

New Boarder (tasting his and leaving it) —You have succeeded admirably, ma'am. —Pick Me Up.

That

Extreme tired feeling afflicts nearly everybody at this season. The hustlers cease to push, the tireless grow weary, the energetic become enervated. You know just what we mean. Some men and women endeavor temporarily to overcome that

Tired

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Feel-

ing is a positive proof of thin, weak, impure blood; for, if the blood is rich, red, vitalized and vigorous, it imparts life and energy to every nerve, organ and tissue of the body. The necessity of taking Hood's Sarsaparilla for that tired feeling is, therefore, apparent to every one, and the good it will do you is equally beyond question. Remember that

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BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	@	6
Standard	@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔	12 @	14
Sides ℔	6 @	7
Shoulders ℔	6 @	6¾
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔	4¾ @	5
Shoulders ℔	@	4¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 00 @	1 10
New New York, each	1 35 @	1 40
New City, each	1 30 @	1 40
BEESWAX ℔	23 @	24
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔	15 @	
Northern	18 @	25
CORN MEAL—		
Per Bushel, in sacks	38 @	40
Virginia Meal	40 @	42½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	@	95
CANDLES—℔—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	9 @	10
CHEESE—℔—		
Northern Factory	10 @	11
Dairy, Cream	11 @	12
State	@	10
COFFEE—℔—		
Laguyra	20 @	
Rio	11 @	16
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18 @	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	@	10
FISH—		
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00 @	[illegible]
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75 @	6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔	5 @	10
" Extra	3 35 @	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—		
Low grade	@	3 75
Choice	@	4 25
Straight	4 75 @	5 00
First Patent	5 50 @	5 75
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½ @	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bags—White	40 @	42½
Car load, in bags—White	38 @	39
Oats, from store	30 @	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	45 @	45
Cow Peas	60 @	65
HIDES, ℔ ℔—		
Green	@	6
Dry	@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔s—		
Eastern	@	1 00
Western	@	90
North River	@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	5½ @	6
North Carolina	6 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ℔ M feet—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hhds	@	28
" " in bbls	@	30
Porto Rico, in hhds	27 @	29
" in bbls	@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12 @	14
" in bbls	14 @	15
Syrup, in bbls	13 @	
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis	1 75 @	1 85
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	9 00 @	9 25
Rump	@	8 75
Prime	@	8 75
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	75
Liverpool	@	90
Lisbon	@	
American	@	60
On 125 ℔ Sacks	40 @	40
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 00 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu'd	@	[illegible]
Standard A	@	[illegible]
White Ex. C	@	[illegible]
Extra C, Golden	4 @	[illegible]
C. Yellow	@	[illegible]
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½ @	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	8 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	@	9 00
Mill, Prime	@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	4 50
Common Mill	4 00 @	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary	@	3 00
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	4 @	[illegible]
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	2 00

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, February 20.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market dull at 25½ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 25 cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at 90 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Steady, Hard $1 30, Soft 1 80 per barrel.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	27
Rosin	839
Tar	150
Crude Turpentine	00

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6¾c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4¾	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	5¾	" "
Low Middling	6¾	" "
Middling	6¾	" "
Good Middling	7 1-16	" "

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 55@60c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 60c; Fancy, 65@67½c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 50@55c; Fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 40 to 42 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch; $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 20—Evening.—Money on call easy at 1½@2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper — per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with the actual business in bankers' bills at 484¾@485¼ for sixty days; 486¾@487¼ for demand. Commercial bills 483¼@484¼. Government bonds were steady; United States coupon fours 113; United States twos 95½. State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 101; North Carolina sixes 122. Railroad bonds firm.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to-day was neglected.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, February 20—Evening.—Cotton steady; middling 7½c.

Cotton futures—market closed steady; February 6 85, March 6 88, April 6 92 May 6 98, June 7 03, July 7 07, August 7 09, September 6 74, October 6 64, November 6 66, December 6 71. Sales 90,100 bales.

Cotton—net receipts —— bales; gross —— bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent —— bales; forwarded —— bales; sales 719 bales; sales to spinners 619 bales; stock 273,812 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 14,127 bales; exports to Great Britain 11,576 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 22,319 bales; stock 932,965 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 5,819,546 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,500,776 bales; exports to France 531,089 bales; exports to the Continent 1,461,839 bales; to the Channel 5 481 bales.

Flour was dull, weak and unchanged; Southern was dull, easy and unchanged; common to fair extra $2 30@2 50; good to choice $3 60@4 00. Wheat—spot dull and firmer with options; No. 2 red free on board 90½c; ungraded 72@91c. options were dull and firm at ¼@⅜c advance; No. 2 red February 84c; March 84¾c; April 83¾c; May 82¼c; June 81⅞; July 80½c; September 77⅛c. Corn—spot dull and firm; No. 2 29½c at elevator and 30½c afloat; options were dull and firm at unchanged prices to ⅛c advance; February 29⅜c; May 30½c; July 31⅛c. Oats—spot dull and firm; options were dull and nominally ⅛c up; February 21⅝c; May 21⅝c; July 22⅜c; spot prices —No. 2, 21⅝c; No. 2 white 23⅛c; mixed Western 20@23. Lard quiet and unsettled; Western steam $4 17½; city $3 80, May $4 30, nominal; refined lard quiet; Continental $4 45, South American $4 65; compound $4 12½@4 75. Pork steady and inactive; new mess $8 25@8 75. Butter quiet; fancy steady; State dairy 10@19c; do. creamery 13@19; Elgins 20c. Eggs were quoted steady; State and Pennsylvania 19½@20c; ice house, per case $2 40@3 50; Western fresh —c; Southern 17½@18½c; limed 13½c. Cotton seed oil steady; crude 20@20¼; yellow prime mercantile 23½@24c. Rice firm and unchanged. Molasses steady, in fair demand and unchanged. Peanuts quiet; fancy hand picked 3½@3¾c. Coffee firm and 5 to 15 points up, March $9 10; July $9 20; September $9 35, November $9 25@9 30; spot Rio dull; No. 7 $9 87½. Sugar—raw quiet and firm; fair refining 2⅝c; refined quiet, firm and unchanged.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Cash quotations: Flour dull and steady; prices unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring 74⅞@76½c; No. 2 red —c. Corn—No. 2, 22½@23c. Oats —No. 2 15½@16c. Mess pork $7 85 @7 90. Lard $3 92½@3 95. Short rib sides, loose $3 90@4 20. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4 50@4 75. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 25@4 37½. Whiskey $1 17.

The leading futures ranged as follows, opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—February 75¼, 75⅝, 74⅞, 75¼; May 76⅝@76⅞, 77¼, 76⅜, 76⅛@76⅝; July 73@73½, 73⅝, 72⅞, 73⅛c. Corn —February 22⅝, 22⅞, 22⅝, 22⅞c; May 24½, 24¼, 24½, 24⅝c; July 25⅛@25⅝, 25⅞, 25⅛@25⅝, 25⅛@25⅝c. Oats—No. 2 February 15⅝, 15⅝, 15⅝, 15⅝c; May 17⅜@17½, 17⅛@17⅝, 17⅜, 17⅛c; July 18⅛, 18⅜, 18⅛, 18⅜c. Mess pork—May $8 00, 8 00, 7 95, 7 97½; July $8 10, 8 12½, 8 10, 8 10. Lard—May $4 02½, 4 05, 4 02½, 4 02½; July $4 10, 4 15, 4 10, 4 12½. Short ribs—May $4 15, 4 10, 4 07½, 4 07½; July $4 17½, 4 20, 4 15, 4 17½.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 20.—Flour firm and unchanged. Wheat strong; spot 91c bid; May 83¼@83½c; Southern by sample 91@92c; do on grade 88½@91½c. Corn strong; spot and February 26@26½c; March 26¼@26⅜c; April 27@27½c, May 28@28½c. Steamer mixed 24⅝@25½c; Southern white 28 @29c; do yellow 26½@27c. Oats quiet and steady; No. 2 white 23@24c; No. 2 mixed 21@22c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

February 20—Galveston, holiday; net receipts 3,172 bales; Norfolk, firm at 6⅞, net receipts 1,458 bales; Baltimore, dull at 7 1-16, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 7¼, net receipts 370 bales. Wilmington, steady at 6¾, receipts 66 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 7⅜c, net receipts 108 bales; Savannah, quiet at 6¾, net receipts 3,174 bales; New Orleans, firm at 6 15 16, net receipts 4 297 bales; Mobile, quiet at 6¾, net receipts 870 bales; Memphis, firm at 6 13-16, net receipts 851 bales; Augusta, steady at 7, net receipts 348 bales; Charleston, firm at 6¾, net receipts 612 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 20.—12.30 P. M.—Cotton quiet. Sales 7,000 bales, of which 6,300 were American; speculation and export 500. Receipts 11,000 bales, of which 4,700 were American. Futures opened quiet and demand moderate American middling: February 3 53-64 @3 54 64d; February and March 3 53-64 @3 54 64d; March and April 3 53 64@3 54 64d; April and May 3 54 64d; May and June 3 54 64@3 55 64d; June and July 3 55 64d; July and August 3 55-64 @3 56 64d; August and September 3 53 64@3 53-64d; September and October 3 46 64d; November and December 3 41 64@3 42 64d. Futures quiet.

Spot prices: American middling fair 4 11 32d; good middling 4 1 32d; middling 3 29 32d; low middling 3 23 32d; good ordinary 3 19 32d; ordinary 3 18 32d.

1 P. M.—American middling 3 29 32d. February and March 3 55-64d buyer; March and April 3 55 64d buyer; April and May 3 55 64d buyer; May and June 3 55-64@3 56 64d buyer; June and July 3 56 64d buyer; July and August 3 56-64d buyer; August and September 3 53-64@3 54 64d; September and October 3 47-64@3 48 64d buyer; October and November 3 43 64@3 44-64d seller; November and December 3 42 64d buyer. Futures closed firm.

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EXPORTS.

DOMESTIC.

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MARINE DIRECTORY.

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Julia S Bailey, 306 tons, Sprague, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
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W C Wickham, 316 tons, Evan, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
Ida C Schoolcraft, 306 tons, Booye, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
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AS SEEN FROM MARS.

It struck the earth, a flaming breath,
And all life shrank in instant death—
The granite hills, the shining sea
Burst into flame and ceased to be.

On neighbor Mars a student wise
Leveled his glass to scan the skies.
"Dear me!" he cried. "'Tis as I feared,
That little planet's disappeared."
—Emily Hewitt Leland in New York Sun.

ENGLISH SOCIETY.

The Modern Institution Includes Something More Than Birth and Rank.

What originally constituted a right to be in good society in England has been discarded. Birth and rank count for nothing unless they bring with them into the great market of society other claims to success, and the best claim to be a leader of fashionable society in England is to be able to provide the greatest amount of amusement. Every man and woman are expected to contribute their mite to the common fund of amusement, and those who contribute the largest amount are the acknowledged heads of society. It is impossible that it should be otherwise, for agricultural distress—depreciation in the value and rental of land—has broken down the territorial aristocracy of England, and the moneyed aristocracy has taken its place. The growing size of society, the luxury and the variety of amusements it offers are some of the indications that it is based upon wealth, for such a society could never have come into existence in a purely aristocratic and therefore a poorer community.

Whether it is an ideal state or not is hardly a matter over which we need agitate ourselves. That it is much more amusing, much more interesting, than the society which it has superseded there can be no doubt. There is less restraint, more sense of enjoyment and we get much better value for our pains and money than in the days when a cold exclusiveness constituted the distinctive mark of a good but very dull society. It may seem a somewhat sweeping assertion to say that there is not such a thing as good society in this fin de siecle time, but there is certainly none in the sense in which our predecessors understood it, and could they but look for a moment upon modern English life they would be amazed. What was simply an aristocratic caste has been swept away, and the heterogeneous mass which now calls itself good society is, at any rate, clever and sharp enough not to be beguiled by any will o' the wisp or to receive any one who does not possess some special qualifications to be enrolled in its ranks.—London Saturday Review.

"DEAR, YOU'RE SO TALL!"

The Way the Small Girl Makes the Big Man Vain.

The short girl has many advantages over the tall one. She has to go through life looking up, and nothing is so becoming to eyes as that. Her lashes show more and so does her hair. There are curves of cheek, chin and throat that look their prettiest to a man who must glance down at them.

A small girl is more easily held and more easily kissed. It is nicer to have to lift her face up by the chin, and it is more epicurean and satisfactory to reach down to the upturned lips.

It is comfortable, when you hold a girl on your knee, to have her head just come to your shoulder instead of having it hang over—surplus, as it were. Everything about a small girl is likely to be a provocation—the unexpectedly tiny hand, the distracting morsels of feet, the little head, the little nose.

A small girl can be fascinating even in a temper. She can be so delicious when she cries, she can be so lovely when she pouts, and none of these moods sits well on a big woman. Then, too, the man in love is inclined to pet names, and he wants to call his girl "Birdy," whether she weighs 200 or not. Yet he is not insensible to the appropriateness of the title when given to a real little thing.

A man likes to feel big, by comparison at least. A really large man does not object to seeming almost a giant beside the girl of his heart, and it is almost necessary to the short man's vanity that he shall seem big to the little creature he is going to marry.

It is very fetching to have one's girl say, "Please, dear, my neck gets so tired; you're so tall." Don't you know what that means? Well, get a bit of a girl and you will find out. On the whole, the small girl has the best of it.—Kansas City Star.

A Study of Success.

The old gentleman was giving the boy advice, not so much because the boy needed it, but because he had more than he knew what to do with and the boy might just as well have it.

"Joshua," he said, "be polite ter everybody. Remember ye ain't no millionaire, an ye can't afford ter put on too many important ways."

"Well, I ain't so sure 'bout that," was the reply. "It seems to me they's lots o' people standin round ready ter impose on ye ef ye don't show some spunk."

"Ye hev ter bear lots o' things in this life. But it's work ez counts. Remember the little busy bee. He jes' keeps a-workin an a-workin day in an day out. An they's mighty few bees, I'm given ter understan, ez can't look back on their lives with satisfaction an be p'inted out ter the neighbors ez a success, an all because they jes' keeps on a-workin an a-workin."

"That's so, father. But there's one trait of character 'bout the bee thet you ain't dwelt on."

"What's that?"

"He don't 'low nobody ter sit down on 'im."—Detroit Free Press.

For Removing Old Paint.

Painters' pickle for removing old paint is made as follows: Mix 1½ pounds of stone potash, 1½ to 2 pounds of soft soap and a half pound of washing soda together and stir into a gallon of water. The pickle should then be boiled till the potash is melted. Apply this with a brush, work it in well, then let it stand for several hours. The work must afterward be washed thoroughly with strong hot soda water, using no soap. N. B.—Great care must be taken in using this pickle, as it discolors the finger nails and takes the color out of anything it touches.

So called beer was made in England a long time ago by tapping spruce, fir, birch, maple and ash trees and using their juices. This process is still kept up in England and in this country, where home-made beers from roots are much used.

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CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

BUNNIE BLACK.

A Rabbit That Rides a Velocipede and Does Many Other Cute Things.

What do you think I saw in the street one day? A little rabbit riding out. He sat on a velocipede and winked his large eyes. His little master walked by his side.

The rabbit was black as a coal. He had a small white star on his head. When he was a small baby rabbit, he had a little sister. The sister was white with black ears.

One day a large cat came into the barn and killed the white one. Bunnie Black was so lonely his master brought him into the house. He made him a little boxhouse under a table. Bunnie lives there all the time now. The house has a little door made of carpet.

Bunnie walks out to the door and plays with some kittens. One day one of the kittens tried to go in at the door. Bunnie jumped at her and drove her away.

When the family are at dinner, Bunnie stands on his hind feet and waits for a bit of bread. He is very neat and washes himself very often. It is very funny to see him wash his face with both hands. He uses his fore paws as we use our hands.

This morning, when the sun was shining, his master said, "Come, Bunnie Black, you must have your ride." He put him on the velocipede and covered him with a blue mantle. His black head was peeping out.

All the boys and girls on the sidewalk crowded about to see him. He rode along until he came to a large house. A sick lady lived in the house. Bunnie's master took him in to see her. She was very much pleased.

Bunnie kisses his friends with his little tongue. Every morning he gets into bed with his master. He cuddles under the clothes and goes to sleep. Sometimes he hops about and kisses his master's face to wake him up.

Every one likes Bunnie Black; he is so quiet and gentle.—Kate Tannatt Woods in Our Little Ones.

Training of Greek Boys.

Greek boys began to be trained in bodily exercises at a very early age, often at 10 years. The problem was not merely to develop strength and health, but to secure grace and beauty, perfect beauty being thought the outer expression of perfect strength. It was this passion for the beautiful in every phase of Greek life which made its sculpture and architecture the noblest the world has seen. But the thought had a still deeper root. The Greek assumed that it was only in the perfect and symmetrical body that the well balanced mind could dwell; so physical culture held a foremost place in the plan of education, and the daily toils of the palestra, or wrestling field, and the gymnasium were a part of the life of the growing lad, and a part not to be shirked. The part taken by boys in the Olympic games shows how deeply this festival had taken root in Greek thought and life.—G. T. Ferris in St. Nicholas.

What the Tablespoon Showed.

A cheerful lad this picture shows.
What makes him glad, do you suppose?
He has just had ten buckwheat cakes—
The kind no doubt your mother makes.
Not satisfied with half a score
This greedy youngster begs for more.

A tearful lad this picture shows.
What makes him sad, do you suppose?
He does feel bad, that is quite plain.
He must be in most awful pain.
He is. His pa says he can't take
Another solitary cake.

Peanuts.

Better than candy and even better than too much meat for your school lunch box or basket is a handful of peanuts every day. Folks who know all about foods say that this crisp and toothsome little ground nut is packed full of just the material that a growing boy or girl needs. Remember when you are tempted to spend pennies for sweets or baker's tarts and cakes that a few peanuts eaten often, but not too many at a time, will be very much better for you.—New York Times.

The Bears.

"Your coat is getting absolutely threadbare, Willie," said mamma as she buttoned him into it. Ten minutes later she noticed Willie sitting in a corner examining his coat sleeve attentively. "What are you doing?" she asked.

Willie looked up. "I am looking for the little thread bears," he said.—Exchange.

Would Make It Hot.

Little Dick, aged 4, was ill in bed, enveloped in hot flaxseed poultices, when his father came in and said, "Nurse, I don't think the thermometer is high enough in here."

"Put a poultice on it, and I guess it will go up all right," said the little boy feelingly.—Exchange.

The Impression of Disaster.

Russia cannot be judged by the analogies of western Europe. She is still in the middle ages. The first mishap or mistake of the young emperor would recall the calamity of his coronation week, in which a reign of mismanagement and misfortune might seem to have been foreshadowed, and the blind ignorance of the Russian masses would lend itself a ready dupe to the suggestions of secret conspirators. France at the close of the last century was some hundreds of years in advance of Russia, even as she is now, in knowledge and civilization. Yet in France, when Marie Antoinette became the object of popular suspicion and hate, when, anticipating the phrase used later and on a more trivial occasion in England, the explantion of every folly and crime was found in the statement, "The queen has done it all," it was remembered that the signs of calamity had accompanied her through life.

She was born, it was whispered, on the day of the great earthquake of Lisbon. As she left the church after the marriage ceremony an angry storm of thunder and rain, which darkened the sky and seemed to shake the earth, burst forth. On the day of the popular fete in Paris in honor of the nuptials of the dauphin and dauphiness a catastrophe in the Place Louis Quinze, as closely as possible resembling that of the Khodynskoje plain, though on a much smaller scale of calamity, turned the national joy into lamentation and into a fearful foreboding of evil. The generous sympathy and grief of the royal pair and their munificent liberality to the sufferers and survivors smoothed over the ruffled surface. It filmed the ulcerous place, but the impression was made and it needed only misfortune and imprudence to revive it.—London World.

THE BICYCLE SPINE.

This Is the New Disease That Threatens the Scorcher.

The "bicycle spine" is the latest disease found to afflict the cyclist.

Medical men are now taking a decided stand against the humpback position which is directly responsible for the curvature. That they have not done so before is probably due to the fact that most physicians only recently acquired a personal knowledge of the wheel and the errors its abuse leads to.

It is claimed by all cyclers that this "hump" is absolutely necessary to secure the speed that they desire. The handle bars must be low and the saddle high in order to increase the momentum by the natural inertia of the moving body.

Bichat, a famous French anatomist, first discovered that adult spines curved a little toward the right side and explained the fact by showing that there was more strain upon the muscles of the right side in consequence of the right hand being more active than the left, and Beclard substantiated this theory by several cases where the curvature was directed toward the left in persons who were left handed.

In bicycling the strain is fairly even upon the muscles of the back and sides, but it is to the vertebræ, or bones of the spine, that this continued stooping brings great danger.

The anterior or inner surface of the normal spinal column describes a slight curve from the first dorsal to the first lumbar vertebra, or that portion of the spine extending from the top of the shoulder blades to about the line of the belt, and it is this curve that becomes gradually more and more prominent in the back of the long distance cycler or "scorcher."

But it is not in the curve itself that the real "bicycle spine" develops. The noticeable curving of the bones in the dorsal region is but a symptom, while the real trouble lies both above and below. The stooping position, long continued, has been quietly sapping and exhausting the nutriment from the pulpy interior of the cushions or intervertebral disks, which are shaped exactly like and placed exactly between the bodies of the spinal vertebræ. From soft, spongy bodies they have become dry and hardened cartilages, and as their elasticity diminishes the bones of the spine draw closer together, thereby aggravating and enlarging the normal curvatures.

This drying of the intervertebral substance is most marked in the lumbar and cervical regions of the spine, and as these bones draw nearer together they force the natural curve of the intermediate or dorsal region to more prominent proportions, just as one would compress the two ends of a bit of whalebone until a curve is produced in its center.

All healthy persons are a trifle shorter in stature at night than when they arise from their beds in the morning, and this also is due to exactly the same conditions. —St. Louis Republic.

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"Tommy is such a sweet child," said a doting mother, "that I often think it will be a miracle if he lives to grow up."

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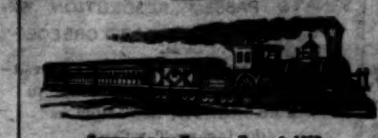

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DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY 9.35 A M No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.59 a m, Warsaw 11.11 a m, Goldsboro 12.01 a m, Wilson 12.46 p m, Rocky Mount 1.20 p m, Tarboro 2.50 p m, Weldon 3.39 p m, Petersburg 5.54 p m, Richmond 6.50 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.53 a m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.53 a m, †Boston 3.00 p m.

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FROM THE SOUTH.

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Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.25 a m, 5.25 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.55 a m, arrive Darlington 9.28 a m, Cheraw 10.40 a m, Wadesboro 2.25 p m, leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.10 p m, arrive Darlington 8.40 p m., Hartsville 9.35 p m, Bennettsville 9.36 p m, Gibson 10 p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9 a m, arrive Darlington 9.27 a m, Hartsville 10.10 a m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6.15 a m, Bennettsville 6.41 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 6.30 a m, arrive Darlington 7.15 a m, leave Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8.15 a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3 p m, Cheraw 5.15 p m, Darlington 6.27 p m, arrive Florence 6.55 p m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 7 a m, Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8.10 a m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.16 p m, arrive Selma 2.50 p m, Smithfield 2.58 p m, Dunn 3.35 p m, Fayetteville 4.15 p m, 1.10 a m, Rowland 5.38 p m, returning leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.20 a m, 10.20 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.49 p m, 12.10 a m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4.30 a m, Creston 5.21 a m, arrive Denmark 6.20 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4.55 p m, Creston 5.47 p m, Sumter 6.40 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9.15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 3.50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.45 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.45 p m, Returning leave Lucknow 6.05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliott 8.25 a m and 3.20 p m.

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T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager. feb 9 tf

W., N. & N. Railway.

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

NORTH BOUND *6	NORTH BOUND †8	STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND †7	SOUTH BOUND ‡5
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
	2 00	Lv...Mulberry street...Ar	12 40	
7 00	3 10	Lv....Surry street....Ar	12 30	3 25
9 50		Ar...Jacksonville......Lv		12 05
11 00	3 58	Lv " Ar	10 42	10 25
11 58	4 30	Lv...Maysville......Lv	10 09	9 18
12 30	4 44	Lv...Pollocksville.....Lv	9 55	8 50
1 30	5 30	Ar...Newbern.........Lv	9 20	8 00
	P M		A M	

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*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
‡Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
†Daily except Sunday.

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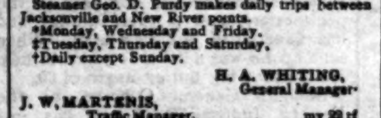
Time Table.



In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST. 3 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 20	Goldsboro	11 25	....
	4 13	Kinston	10 33	
5 15	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 30
6 37	6 42	Morehead City	8 02	8 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 a. m., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p. m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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SCHEDULE IN EFFECT FEB. 7, 1897.

WESTWARD.

	No. 41.	No. 403.
Leave Wilmington	*3 20 p m	....
Leave Lumberton	5 26 p m	....
Leave Maxton	6 13 p m	....
Leave Laurinburg	6 23 p m	....
Arrive Hamlet	6 53 p m	....
Leave Hamlet	7 13 p m	*5 1 pm
Leave Rockingham	7 30 p m	5 23am
Leave Wadesboro	8 11 p m	....
Leave Marshville	8 48 p m	6 25am
Arrive Monroe	9 12 p m	6 43am
Leave Monroe	9 35 p m	7 30am
Arrive Charlotte	10 25 p m	8 50am
Arrive Mt Holly	....	9 0am
Arrive Lincolnton	....	10 35am
Arrive Shelby	....	11 43am
Arrive Ellenboro	....	12 20pm
Arrive Rutherfordton	....	12 54pm

†8 40 a m	Leave	Hamlet	Arrive	6 20pm
10 00 a m	Arrive	Cheraw	Leave	†5 00pm

EASTWARD.

	No. 38	No. 402.
Leave Rutherfordton	....	*4 35pm
Leave Ellenboro	....	5 15pm
Leave Shelby	....	6 03pm
Leave Lincolnton	....	7 00pm
Leave Mt. Holly	....	7 50pm
Leave Charlotte	*5 10 am	8 25pm
Arrive Monroe	5 58 am	9 10pm
Leave Monroe	6 05 am	9 40pm
Leave Marshville	6 25 am	....
Leave Wadesboro	7 01 am	10 31pm
Leave Rockingham	7 41 am	11 05pm
Arrive Hamlet	7 55 am	11 23pm
Leave Hamlet	8 45 am	....
Leave Laurinburg	9 11 am	....
Leave Maxton	9 30 am	....
Leave Lumberton	10 18 am	....
Arrive Wilmington	12 30 pm	....

NORTHWARD.

Leave Hamlet	*3 15 am	*11 23pm
Arrive Raleigh	11 30 am	2 11am
Arrive Portsmouth	5 50 pm	7 30am
Arrive Richmond	*6 50 pm	*8 15pm
Arrive Washington	11 10 pm	12 31pm
Arrive New York	6 53 am	6 23pm

SOUTHWARD.

Leave Monroe	*6 48am	*9 25pm
Arrive Abbeville	11 05am	1 40am
Arrive Athens	1 15pm	3 45am
Arrive Atlanta (Central Times)	2 50 pm	5 20am

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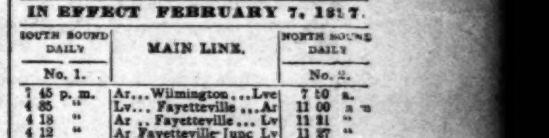

CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT FEBRUARY 7, 1897.

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 1.	MAIN LINE.	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 2.
7 45 p. m.	Ar...Wilmington...Lve	7 50 a. m
4 35 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 00 a m
4 18 "	Ar...Fayetteville...Lv	11 21 "
4 12 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	11 27 "
2 55 "	Lv....Sanford......Lv	1 00 p. m
12 48 "	Lv......Climax......Lv	2 58 "
12 15 "	Lv....Greensboro...Ar	3 25 "
11 55 a m	Ar....Greensboro....Lv	3 35 "
11 07 "	Lv....Stokesdale....Lv	4 23 "
10 32 "	Lv..Walnut Cove...Lv	4 55 "
10 04 "	Lv....Rural Hall...Lv	5 26 "
8 40 "	Lv.....Mt Airy.....Ar	6 50 "

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 3.	Bennettsville Division.	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 4.
7 20 p m	Ar...Bennettsville...Lv	8 20 a m.
6 17 "	Lv......Maxton.....Ar	9 25 "
5 36 "	Lv...Red Springs....Lv	10 01 "
4 49 "	Lv....Hope Mills....Lv	10 47 "
4 28 "	Lv....Fayetteville...Ar	11 03

SOUTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 15. MIXED.	Factory and Madison Branches.	NORTH BOUND Daily except Sunday. No. 16. MIXED.
6 05 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 45 a.
4 20 "	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	8 35 "
3 25 "	Lv...Greensboro...Ar	9 20 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16 MIXED; daily ex su
Leave Greensboro	9 35 a. m
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15. MIXED, daily ex su
Leave Madison	12 30 p m
Leave Stokesdale	1 28 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 40 "

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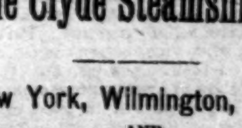

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SUNDAY MORNING, FEB. 21, 1897

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

General Revival of Business Reported—The South on the Verge of Genuine Recovery in Trade—Statement of Associated Banks.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The New York *Financier* says this week: The statement of the Clearing House banks of New York city, for the week ending February 20th, is in direct contrast with those of the two weeks previous. After a decrease of over $6 000,000 in the cash held by the banks during that period there was a sudden gain of $5,176,600, as reported by the current statement for the week. Heavy shipments of gold from the Pacific coast had a great deal to do with the increase of $3,694,500 in specie and perhaps affected the legal tender holdings, which show a gain of $3,559,100. The currency deposited with the Treasury to cover retired circulation may also be returning to swell the idle cash in banks. Then, too, the financiering of one or two heavy railroad organizations has undoubtedly affected the several items of the statement.

The falling off of $1,620,100 in loans is disappointing. The loans of the banks in Boston and Philadelphia have shown a tendency recently to expand, and it was hoped that the movement here would continue in similar volume. The plethora of idle money is not confined to New York. A dispatch to the *Financier* from Chicago states that the banks there are seriously considering a reduction from 3 per cent. to 1½ per cent. on country bank balances and that a meeting of bankers will be called this week to decide definitely on the matter. Despite the accumulation of money in the great centers, forwarded for the most part to secure the small bank interest allowed on it, evidences of a general revival in business continue to be received from different sections. The South especially seems to be on the verge of a genuine recovery in trade, and reports received during the week are of the most encouraging nature. The opening of the spring season there, it is believed, will be the most auspicious since the panic, and the rest of the country will witness a similar awakening from the lethargy of the past few years.

The weekly statement of the associated banks show the following changes: Reserve, increase, $4,029,725; loans, decrease, $1,620,100; specie, increase, $3,814,500; legal tenders increase, $3,595,500; circulation, decrease, $110,100. The banks now hold $55 592,950 in excess of legal requirements.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat, Corn and Oats Higher—Provisions Lower.

[By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—There was no retrogression in wheat to-day; in fact, a slight gain was made. The trade was bullish on the outcome and the few shorts who have been fighting the advance for almost a week covered up, not caring to risk the possibility of a higher opening on Tuesday, Monday being a holiday. The market opened firm, advanced ¼c and then settled back to about the opening figure. May wheat opened from 76⅝@76¾c, sold between 76⅝ and 77⅛c, closing at 76¼@76⅜c bid—¼c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat was firm and ¼c higher.

The exports of corn for the week were unprecedented in volume, aggregating 6 441,000 bushels. Naturally, these shipments had a firming influence on the market. The strength of wheat also exerted some force on corn. May corn opened at 24⅛c, advanced to 24⅝c, closing at 24⅜c—a shade higher than yesterday. Cash corn was firm and ¼@⅜c higher.

Oats—May oats closed ⅜c. higher than yesterday. Cash oats were barely steady, sellers finding it dificult to dispose of what they had to offer because of a disposition on the part of buyers to hold off in the expectation that there would be heavy accumulation Tuesday.

Product experienced a slight set-back by reason of a decline in hog prices. The trade was reasonably fair, both shorts and longs doing something in the way of evening up for the week. At the close May pork was 5c lower than yesterday. May lard a shade lower and May ribs 2½ to 5c. lower.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

The Visible Supply of Cotton—Crop in Sight—New York Sun's Review of the Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 3,892 803 bales, of which 3,528,503 are American, against 3,815 465 and 3,858,-965 respectively last year. Receipts of cotton this week at all interior towns 63,575 bales. Receipts from the plantations 69,787 bales. Crop in sight 7,897,-196 bales.

The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here was unchanged, with sales of 619 bales for spinning. Middling uplands 7⅛c, against 7⅛c last year; New Orleans and Gulf 7⅜c, against 8⅛c last year.

The Liverpool news to-day was better than had been expected and, together with covering of shorts and some new buying for local and Southern account, caused a rise here to-day. The advance in Liverpool, in the face of the reaction here yesterday, was attributed to the small crop movement last week and the absence of selling pressure. Part of the early rise was lost before the close, however, on realizing sales, but the last prices showed a net improvement for the day. The receipts at the ports this week are expected to show some increase, the total for the week being estimated at 95,000, against 80,599 last week and 94,-308 last year. New Orleans both bought and sold here to-day. The expected increase in the crop movement and the war talk from Europe had much to do with the reaction.

The Senate yesterday confirmed the following nomiations: Postmasters—North Carolina, Mary Green, Warrenton; D. D. McIntyre, Laurinburg.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feburary 20.—Rosin quiet; strained common to good $1 70. Spirits turpentine quiet at 35½@39c.

CHARLESTON, February 20.—Spirits turpentine—no report; sales — casks. Rosin quiet; sales of — barrels: A, B, C, D, E $1 35, F $1 40, G $1 45, H $1 50, I $1 60, K $1 70, M $1 80, N $1 85, W G $1 90, W W $2 05.

SAVANNAH, February 20.—Spirits turpentine firm at 26c, with sales of 100 casks; receipts 49 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 600 barrels; receipts 971 barrels

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CONGRESS YESTERDAY.

SENATE PASSED RESOLUTION EXTENDING SYMPATHY TO GREECE.

Indian Appropriation Bill Considered—Attacks Made on Justice Shiras in Both Bodies for His Action in the Income Tax Cases.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The Cretan uprising against Turkey was recognized and encouraged by the Senate of the United States in the unanimous adoption of a resolution offered by Mr. Cameron, extending sympathy to the Government of Greece in its intervention to free the people of Crete "from the tyranny of foreign oppressors and to restore peace, with the blessing of Christian civilization, to that distressed island."

A bill which was passed by the House last session and which has been on the Senate calendar for some time, authorizing the appointment of a labor commission, was taken up to-day on motion of Mr. Quay and was likely to be a long and animated debate when Mr. Allison of Iowa, Republican, chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, interposed with a motion to take up the Indian Appropriation bill and that motion was agreed to by a majority of six, thus retaking the Labor Commission bill back to the calendar.

The Indian Appropriation bill was taken up and during its discussion the decision of the Supreme Court in the income tax case was brought in question. Mr. Allen said: Mr. Justice Shiras owes it to the country to say why he so suddenly changed front on that subject. The change was so radical and so extreme that that man will go into history under a cloud unless he explains to the country what motives influenced him to change his position on the income tax cases.

The bill was laid aside without action, unanimous consent being given to have the vote taken on Monday at 1 p. m.

After a brief executive session the Senate at 5 30 p. m. adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

When the House adjourned this afternoon it had finished the discussion in Committee of the Whole of the General Deficiency Appropriation bill, with the exception of one paragraph, providing for a payment to the Southern Pacific Railroad Company. Three hours' debate will take place on that item on Monday. Most of the session was devoted to discussing the domestic affairs of the House—"Washing its dirty linen," as one member put it.

It was just before adjournment that Mr. Bartlett, of New York, managed to get in a defence of the United States Supreme Court for its decision in the income tax. Mr. McMillin of Tennessee, Democrat, who had criticised Justice Shiras last week for his part in declaring the income tax law unconstitutional, made some remarks that might have become sensational had they continued. He spoke of Justice Shiras as "that individual," and said he was "glad he had got through his thick hide at last."

The matter ended with an agreement between Mr. Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Republican, and Mr. McMillin to discuss the judibial conduct in the income tax case, pro and con, at a future day; and the House at 4.22 p. m. adjourned until Monday, after deciding that time was too precious at this late period in the session to keep Washington's birthday as a holiday.

NATURAL GAS EXPLOSION

Injures Ten Persons, Five of Them Seriously.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, February 20.—Seven explosions of natural gas at 7 o'clock this morning in the engine room of the Chicago *Chronicle*, at 164 and 166 Washington street, badly shattered the basement and business office and injured ten persons, five of them seriously. The pipes leading from the street sprung a leak and the explosion was caused by ignition from electric light wires. Bohen McMillen, the foreman of the press room, was the most seriously injured and his recovery is doubtful. He was blown against the wall and badly burned. One arm was so badly crushed that it will probably have to be amputated. Larry Hardgrove, the engineer, was blown thirty feet and badly injured internally. John Stenger, a pressman, was seriously burned about the face. John Wheeler, a driver for Case & Martin, who was standing in front of the *Chronicle* office, was blown half way across the street, and Charles Williams, who was standing on the sidewalk over the gas pipe, was blown as high as the second story of the building and was badly injured. Matthew Baines, mailer, was severely burned. A few minutes after the explosion flames leaped through the basement floors and consumed the business office and destroyed the Western Union Telegraph Company's branch office building.

SOMEBODY TO BLAME.

A Negro Serves Fifteen Years in the Penitentiary Without Cause.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., Feb. 20.—It has just come to light here that a negro named Major Lee, who has served fifteen years in the Georgia penitentiary on conviction for murder, has never had a new trial which was granted him by the Supreme Court on the grounds that he is not guilty under the evidence that was submitted in the case. Lee was convicted in 1881, and the verdict was contrary to the law and the evidence. In the meantime Lee was sent to the penitentiary, and is there to-day and has never had his new trial. When sent up he was a little 14-year-old boy. He is now a big burley negro of 80.

Solicitor General Osborne, of the Eastern Judicial Court, who has just come into office, took Lee's case up, and has insisted on its being disposed of. Lee was charged with the murder of Elbert Lee, a white man, but there was nothing but circumstantial evidence and a very little of that against him. Judge R. Falligant, now on the Supreme Bench, defended him, on which account a judge from an adjoining circuit will be called down to try the case should there be any attempt to try it, which is not probable.

ACQUITTED.

J. H. Bocock, On Trial For Murder at Newport News, Va.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWPORT NEWS, Feb. 20.—The jury in the case of J. H. Bocock, indicted for murder for the killing of a negro named Cheek, which has been on trial in the Corporation Court for the past four days, this afternoon rendered a verdict of not guilty. Bocock was employed as a watchman at one of the piers by the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company, and while on duty became involved in a difficuty with Cheek, one of the truckers, who threatended to kill him with a knife. Bocock drew a pistol and shot the negro.

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AFFAIRS IN CRETE.

INSURGENTS THREATENING TO ATTACK CANEA.

Cretan Provinces Vote in Favor of Union With Greece—Fighting Between Mussulmans and Christians—King George Declares His Intention to Annex Crete.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CANEA, Feb. 20.—A small force of British, Italian and French marines are occupying the town of Sitia, on the eastern extremity of the island, where a few days ago two thousand Moslems were massacred by Christians. Quiet has been restored in the town and the presence of foreign marines is regarded as an assurance that no further disorder need be feared. Hostages have been and are still being exchanged by the Christians and Moslems and both sides show a readiness to accept European arbitration. In the town of Retimo, however, disorder still prevails and the Moslems continue to pillage the houses of the Christians. The various consuls at Retimo have asked that more warships be sent there to restore and preserve order.

The insurgents who are occupying the hills back of Canea sent a warning yesterday of their intention to attack the town from Akrotiri. To this notice Admiral Canavaro, commanding the combined fleets, sent a reply giving the insurgent leaders to understand that the foreign warships would intervene at the first sign of an attack on the part of the insurgents.

All of the provinces of Crete have voted in favor of union with Greece. This fact has been communicated to the various consuls by the Greek representatives.

ATHENS, Feb. 20.—The Greek ironclad warship Spezia, accompanied by a torpedo flotilla, is about to start for Turkish waters. The Spezia has been lying in the Piræus awaiting orders for several days.

BERLIN, Feb. 20.—The semi-official *North German Gazette* published what is believed to be an inspired article on the Cretan question. It says that Germany is willing to negotiate with the other Great Powers concerning the future of Crete, but only on two conditions, the first of which is that the island must not be annexed to Greece, and the second, that Greece's present action must be stopped before the negotiations begin.

BERLIN, Feb. 20.—The *National Zeitung* in an article referring to the circular note sent to the Powers of Lord Salisbury favoring the granting of autonomy to Crete under the administration of a Prince of Greece, asserts that Great Britain stands alone in the matter. Italy, the paper says, adheres to the other Powers and will act in accord with them.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—The *Matin* says it has good authority for asserting that the Powers will accept Lord Salisbury's proposals to grant autonomy to Crete, though Germany alone may oppose such a course.

CANEA, Feb. 20.—The Mussulmans at Retimo became greatly excited when they learned of the massacre of their co-religionists at Sitia, and to-day fully armed they made a sortie from the town and attacked the insurgents who were gathered in force in the vicinity. The fighting was still proceeding this evening, without apparent advantage to either side. The Mussulmans, actuated by the spirit of revenge, are reported to be making a most determined effort to severely chastise the Christians, but the latter by their superior knowledge of guerilla warfare are easily able to hold their own against the attacking forces. It is well established now that the Greeks are masters of the island except three of the towns.

ATHENS, Feb. 20.—The *Asty* says that King George, in an interview with a diplomat to-day, explained the attitude of himself and the Government on the Cretan question. His Majesty declared that he had decided to annex Crete to the Greek dominions and had ordered the army of occupation not to abandon the island. The King requested the diplomat to communicate this decision to his colleagues in Athens.

CRUISER BROOKLYN.

Officers and Crew Exonerated From All Blame for the Accident to Her.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The findings of the court of inquiry appointed to investigate the circumstances under which the cruiser Brooklyn recently ran aground in the Delaware river, has submitted its findiugs to the Navy Department, which completely exonerates all the officers concerned. After summing up the evidence in the case of the Brooklyn, the court therefore finds:

"That the grounding of the United States steamship Brooklyn on the date and at the place in the precept was not in any respect due to faults or negligence on the part of the officers or crew of said vessel, but that, on the contrary, the commanding officer was fully justified in proceeding down the river at that time, and that neither he nor any of the officers or men under his command failed in any particular to perform their full duty. In the opinion of the court, no further action is necessary."

The Department has approved this complete exoneration and nothing further will be done.

FROM CUBA.

The Usual Spanish Victory Reported Over Insurgents.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, Feb. 20.—The usual reports of Government victories over the insurgent were published to-day. According to these, General Hernandez Velasco, Col. Recio and Commander Luis Lazo, of the Asturies and Alfonso Doce forces, defeated the insurgent bands at Galalon, Luisa and Dayaniguas, all of which places are in the province of Pinar del Rio, which Captain General Weyler has officially declared to be "pacified." The reports state that ten rebels were killed in the three engagements, among the dead being Captain Navarfate, an ex-bandit. The troops destroyed four prefectures, a hospital and sixty huts. Their losses were only two wounded, a commander and a sergeant.

The Naval Appropriation bill will go to the House without provision for an increase of the navy. This agreement was reached yesterday when the matter of one battleship and one composite sailing vessel for the Naval Academy, recommended by the sub-commitee, was reconsidered. After a general discussion a motion to strike out the increase provision was carried.

IF YOU WISH to purify your blood you should take a medicine which cures blood diseases. No other medicine has such a record of cures as Hood's Sarsaparilla.

HOOD'S PILLS are easy to take, easy to operate. Cure indigestion, biliousness. 25c. †

BODY SNATCHING.

Superintendent of the City Cemetery, Lynchburg, Va., Arrested on the Charge.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Feb. 20.—N. J. Farmer, superintendent of the city cemetery, was arrested to-day on the charge of disinterring a dead body, and was released on $500 bail to appear for a preliminary hearing next Friday. Ella Jamieson, a woman of bad repute, who committed suicide, was buried at the city's expense on Friday morning. On account of rumors that had reached them the police determined to keep a lookout to see if the body was disturbed. Early this morning, Policeman Adams saw a wagon drive up to the railroad station with a big black barrel aboard. On inquiring of the driver what it contained, he replied that it was the body of Ella Jamison. The body was sent back to the cemetery and reinterred by order of the Mayor, and Farmer was arrested, as also were two negroes charged with being accessories. Farmer additted that he had shipped a number of bodies, all paupers, to the University of Virginia, but that the State law authorized such disposal of bodies of persons buried at public expense.

A NASHVILLE SENSATION,

Suit for a Divorce Brought by a Prominent Society Lady.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NASHVILLE, Feb. 20.—A sensation was created here to-day in Nashville select society by Mrs. Sallie T. Sawrie filing a bill of legal separation from her husband, W. S. Sawrie. The defendant is a leading wholesale grocer in this city and is now at his orange grove near Orlando, Fla. The wife charges that her husband drove her from their magnificent home in East Nashville more than two weeks ago and then left the city. The deserted wife charges that the step children were the cause of the estrangement.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Domestic Troubles Said to Have Been the Cause.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 20.—William Sheerer, an electrician from Philadelphia, about twenty-five years of age, attempted to commit suicide in the Capitol Square here at 1 o'clock to-day. He shot himself in the head with a 44-calibre pistol, but the ball passed around the skull, inflicting a slight wound only. Sheerer is the son-in-law of Andrew Barry, of this city, and is said to have had a tiff with his wife before he made his attempt at self-destruction.

WARM WIRELETS.

Treasury balances: Coin, $130,679,876 currency, $60,364,048.

The President has referred the Immigration bill to Secretary Carlisle for an expression of his opinion on the merits of the several provisions of the bill.

George Fadely and Robert Hoy, white men, have been arrested in Augusta county, Va., charged with raising one dollar bills to the denomination of ten dollars and attempting to pass them.

M. W. Ransom, U. S. Minister to Mexico, passed through Charlotte Friday night on his way home in response to a telegram announcing his wife's illness. It is not expected that he will return to Mexico.

The House Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures yesterday ordered favorably reported, with an amendment, the Senate bill providing for the representation of the United States at any international conference to be called hereafter.

The Black Diamond breaker, operated by the Delaware & Hudson Coal Company, located at the east end of Wilkesbarre, Pa., was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The loss will reach full $80,000. Six hundred men and boys are thrown out of employment.

Rev. Pike Powers, rector of St. Andrew's church, Richmond Va., and one of the best known Episcopal clergymen in Virginia, died at his residence yesterday morning. He was in his 64th year. He entered the ministry late in life, having previously been a prominent teacher.

Secretary Herbert and party left Charleston, S. C., for Washington on the special car attached to train 32 of the Atlantic Coast Line, at 5.20 yesterday afternoon. Secretary Herbert, in an interview just before leaving, said that the work of Admiral Bunce's squadron of evolution had been most satisfactory. The big ships leave to-day and it is expected the monitors will remain in Charleston harbor for some days.

How She Got Them.

Magistrate—The policeman says your husband gave you those black eyes.

Mrs. Nalone (wishing to screen her husband)—No, he didn't, your honor.

"Then how did you get them?"

"Sure, black eyes are constitutional wid me, your honor. They come and go just like toothache."—Strand Magazine.

Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

Wanted,

AGENTS TO REPRESENT US IN NORTH Carolina and South Carolina. Just out the Gem Pocket Pen, Pencil and Thermometer Holder sells at 5 cents. Also the Little King Burglar Alarm goes on windows and doors; sells at 10 cents. Territory being taken fast. Send 5 cents for samples and terms to Agents. Address C. A. BYERLY, feb 19 5.* Gen'l Southern Agent, Norfolk, Va.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

☞ Houses For Rent or Sale, Lost and Found Wants, and other short miscellaneous advertisements inserted in this Department in leaded bourgeoil type, on first or fourth page, at Publisher's option, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Terms positively cash in advance.

A young man from the country willing to work for a small salary until he learns the business, desires to correspond with parties in need of a Clerk. Address P., STAR office. feb 21 1t

Agency—Several lines working together harmoniously, from high rated manufacturers offered one salesman in each district. Free samples. Cash commissions. A living for pushers. Syndicate, P. O. 1971, New York. feb 21 1t*

N. Siegert, Merchant Tailor, 114 Market street, has just received a beautiful line of Spring and Summer Goods, also a full line of samples. Call up and see them and leave your measure for a Spring Suit. Fit guaranteed. feb 21 1t*

You Can Make Money by following the advices given in our Manual Book and Market Letter, free Correspondence invited. Ford & Co., members N. Y. Consolidated Exchange, 60 Broadway, New York feb 21 1t*

Turkeys and Chickens dressed and alive, Eggs, Peas (black eye and lady finger), Mountain Butter in kits and boxes. I. T. Alderman, Commission Merchant, 218 North Front street. feb 20 1m

You will not find in this city a better assorted stock of Candies, Fruits, and Apples than mine. And don't forget that my prices are the lowest. Andrew Mavronichols, 703 North Fourth street. feb 7 tf

Don't fail to see me if you are contemplating the purchase of a Piano, Organ or any musical instrument. Ask about my easy one year payment plans. A. E. Reville, 318 North Front street. feb 5 1m

I have opened a Gunsmith and general Repair Shop at No. 7 North Second street. Thirty one years' experience. Satisfaction guaranteed. Repairing and stocking fine guns a specialty. Charles H. Polley. jan 31 1m

Hay—Timothy Hay, mixed Clover Hay, Prairie Hay, Straw, Grain and all kinds of mixed feed for horses and cattle. Jno. S. McEachern, 211 Market St. Telephone 99. oct 17 tf

Hayden, F. Bl., has in stock buggies, road Carts and harness of all kinds. Repairing done by skillful workmen on short notice. Opposite new Court House c21

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

KID GLOVES.

A DOLLAR KID GLOVE

IN BROWN AND TAN,

four large buttons and stitched backs

for 59c per pair.

WHITE OR CREAM KID GLOVES,

plain or black stitched, former price

$1.25, now selling for 98

cents per pair.

FINE BLACK KID GLOVES

were $1.25, now selling at 98 cents

per pair.

Corsets.

The balance of our 50c Corsets for

39c per pair.

A dollar Featherbone Corset for 75c

per pair,

and all the leading makes at equally

low prices, at

TAYLOR' SBAZAAR,

feb 21 tf 118 Market St.

Statement

SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE FIRE ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA.

December 31, 1896.

ASSETS.

Value of Real Estate and ground rents owned by the Company (less the amount of encumbrances thereon)	$ 208,860 00
Loans on bond and mortgage (duly recorded and being first liens on the fee-simple)	2,138,291 51
Account of stocks and bonds of the United States, and of this and other States, also all other stocks and bonds absolutely owned by the Company	2,333,208 00
Stocks, bonds and all other securities (except mortgage) hypothecated to the Company as collateral security for cash actually loaned by the Company	299,850 00
Interest due and accrued on stocks and other securities	68,655 44
Cash in Company's principal office and belonging to the Company, deposited in Bank	160,976 91
Premiums or assessments unpaid	708,106 65
All other assets, detailed in statement	10,306 53
Total Assets	$ 5,923,191 34

LIABILITIES.

Losses unpaid, including those resisted	$ 299,819 37
Reserve, as required by law	3,364,065 76
All other claims	209,355 40
Total Liabilities	$4,419,740 81
Capital stock paid up	$ 800,000 00
Total income	2,817,098 77
Total expenditures	2,679,184 53

NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS IN 1896.

Risks written	$ 640,413 00
Premiums received	9,416 81
Losses paid on risks taken	3,070 43
Losses incurred	2,983 70

President, E. C. IRVIN.

Secretary, M. G. GARIGUES.

General Agent, JNO WILDER ATKINSON, Wilmington.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

OFFICE SECRETARY OF STATE,

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

SEAL. In compliance with Section 9 of "An Act to consolidate the Insurance Laws of North Carolina," I certify that the above is a true extract from the sworn statement of the Fire Association of Philadelphia, on December 31st, 1896, now on file in this Department.

CYRUS THOMPSON, Secretary of State.

feb 21 1t

Executor's Notice.

HAVING QUALIFIED AS EXECUTRIX OF the last will and testament of Stacy VanAmringe, deceased, on the 8th day of January, 1897, I hereby notify all persons indebted to my said testator to make immediate payment to me, and those to whom he was indebted to present their claims to me on or before the 8th day of January, 1898, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. This the 31st day of January, 1897.

MARY F. VANAMRINGE, Executrix.

jan 31 1m

OLD NEWSPAPERS FOR SALE AT THIS Office. Suitable for wrapping paper.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

1874. 1897.

Turpentine Stills.

McMillan Bros.,

Fayetteville, N. C.,

Savannah, Ga., and Mobile, Ala.

MANUFACTURERS OF

Turpentine Stills

AND

General Metal Workers

EXTRA

KETTLES, WORMS, CAPS, ARMS

AND BOTTOMS,

and Patch Copper kept in stock.

Special attention given to work in the country. Old Stills taken in exchange for new work.

When in want of anything in our line address us at above named places. jan 22 tf

Wines and Liquors.

Just Received

A large stock of the following

Wines & Liquors:

Native N. C. Scuppernong Wine.
Cooking Sherry Wine.
Duff Gordon's Wine, imported.
G. H. Mumm's Champagne.
Werner's Champagne.
Cochrane & Cantrel's Ginger Ale.
Bass' Ale.
Guiness' Stout.
Old Breezeland Rye.
Pure native North Carolina Mountain Corn Whiskey.
Apple and Peach Brandy.
At low prices. Give us a call.

SOL. BEAR,

No. 18 Market Street,

dec 23 tf Wilmington, N. C.

We have SHOES for all kinds of wintry weather, as well as SHOES for all kinds of mild and dry weather for all kinds and classes of people. Also RUBBERS of all kinds.

Prices are down to "bed-rock" on everything in our stock.

You are cordially invited to wear our SHOES.

Respectfully,

MERCER & EVANS,

feb 12 115 tf Princess Street.

Cash Paid

—FOR—

Beeswax.

If you have some to sell ship it to us and we will allow you

26 CENTS PER POUND

for it in Boston and no charge for commission or for carting. References all through the South if required.

W. H. BOWDLEAR & CO.,

Boston, Mass.,

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Fox River Butter.

35 Boxes Fox River Butter.
50 Bags Hudnut's Grits.
100 Bbls. E. R. Potatoes.
Also Crackers, Cheese, Canned Goods, Corn, Meal, Flour, Molasses, Meat, Salt, Hay, Hoop-Iron, Spirit Casks, Peanuts, Baskets, Drugs, Tobacco, Snuff, Fish, and all other goods in my line.

D. L. GORE.

feb 18 tf

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COMPOUND,

A purely old fashion, home-made

COUGH REMEDY.

No Opiates of any kind.

Pure, harmless, effective. Can be given with perfect safety to the youngest and the oldest. Pronounced by the people, the press, and the public to be the greatest Cough Syrup on earth. Made under the personal supervision of

JAMES D. NUTT, Pharmacist,

feb 4 tf Wilmington, N. C.

NOTICE.

Wanted, Furs of All Kinds.

Highest New York market prices. Express and freight charges paid. Returns made the day goods are received.

Quotations furnished upon request.

SAM'L BEAR, Sr.,

19 Market Street.

dec 3

Bargains In Dry Goods This Week

Read these prices, it may pay you:

Sea Island Sheeting, 1 yard wide, at 4c; Pee Dee Plaids, new styles, at 4c; Fruit of the Loom, 4-4 Bleaching, at 7c; Palmer Mills Bleaching, 1 yard wide, at 6c; Columbus Bleaching, 1 yard wide, at 5c. The very best Dress Ginghams at 5c; 800 pieces of new style and best Calicoes at 5c per yard; 500 yards Percale, 1 yard wide, at 8½c to close; 5 pieces of fine Sea Island Percale at 12½c. A big line of fine Cashmeres, 36 inches wide, in F. F., Black, at 35c per yard, the best Cashmere made at that price; fine Black and Blue Serge, 44 inches, all wool, at 35c per yard.

Remember the line of fine Dotted Swiss at 12½c, 30 inches wide. Black Brocaded Sateen at 10 and 12½c per yard; splendid colored Sateen, looks like silk, in light colors for evening dresses, at 15c per yard. Drapery Goods of all kinds—beautiful gold tinted, different colors, at 10c, worth 15 cents.

White Marseilles Bed Spreads at 50, 75c and $1.00, a very nice line. The best Bed Ticking, warranted feather proof, at 12½c; splendid Ticking at 8 and 10c.

Sheets, unbleached, hemstitched 10-4, nice goods at 50c each; Bleached 90x90 inches square, heavy hemstitched, at 60c each, fine goods; Pillow Cases to match 2 for 25c or 1 for 15c.

CLOTHING—Just received a nice stock of Clothing at a very low price, bought for the cash and they must go. Fine heavy Scotch Cheviot, nicely made, all wool, worth $7 50, now $5.50. Fine Gray Clay Worsted, handsomely made at $7.00 a Suit, worth $10.00. Black Clay Worsted Suits, worth $8 50 and $11.00, my cash price $7 00 and $8 00. To show you this Clothing you will find it the cheapest lot of nice Clothing in the city. A very nice line of all wool Suits for $5 00. We have Men's Pants, all kinds, prices from 45c a pair to $3 00 a pair.

SHOES—We have received a big supply of new Shoes at hard times prices. We can fit your feet with nice neat fine Dongola Pat. Tip Ladies' Shoes from 3's to 7's for $1.00 a pair, nice honest Shoes and very pretty goods. Our line at $1 25 for ladies and gentlemen is very nice and wear well. If you need Shoes at any price come and see us.

HOSE—Gent's Fast Black well made Hose at 10 and 15c per pair.

Come and see us at 112 North Front street, opposite the Orton Hotel.

Geo. O. Gaylord, Prop.,

feb 21 tf Of Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

Linens, Embroideries

LACES AND GLOVES

Will have special showing this week at

A. D. BROWN'S,

Successor to Brown & Roddick,

No. 29 North Front St.

A beautiful line of all Linen Napkins, extra value, at $1 per dozen.

Just ten dozen of the $1.25 Napkins left.

500 yards Unbleached Damask, 60 inches wide, at 50 cents per yard.

White as snow Damask Doylies. Special values at 30c, 50c, $1 25, $1.50 and $2 50 per dozen.

Have you seen that big Huck Towel for 15c each.

Huck Towel No. 602 at 20 cents is worth your inspection.

A beautiful double hemstitched Huck Towel at 25 cents each.

Bath Towels 25 and 35 cents.

Pure Irish Linen for Fancy Work.

The best $1 Kid Glove ever shown in the city of Wilmington for 79c a pair.

Silk Gloves 25 cents for only 15 cents.

The ladies are invited to examine the one minute Hair Curlers—bronze finished, strong, durable, ridy, last forever, quick, easy to apply, uniform, sure, neat, do not loosen, 25c per dozen.

A fine 75 cent Black Corset for 50c a pair.

We are still offering what we have left of those 50c Corsets at 35c a pair.

Nubia Rugs $1.50 each.

Japanese Jute Rugs, 3x6, only $1.25 each.

Japanese Jute Rugs—Sizes 9x12, 10x13-8, 12x15.

10 per cent. discount on all Woolen Underwear.

Guaranteed as Advertised.

feb 14 tf

ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Capital $125,000. Surplus $62,500

Prompt and accurate attention given to all business, specially to out of town accounts. All customers desiring to borrow on good security supplied at lowest rates.

Safety Deposit Boxes to rent in the strongest vault in this section.

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GEO. SLOAN, Cashier.

Wilmington Savings & Trust Company.

Capital $25,000. Surplus $6,000.

Interest paid at rate of 4 per cent. per annum compounded quarterly on all savings deposited in this Company, which is the strongest strictly Savings Bank in North Carolina. We paid depositors over $8,000 in interest within the past year. Did you get any of that money? feb 21 tf

REMNANTS!

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Remnants of 10c Bleaching, 6¼c.
Remnants of 7c Unbleaching, 5c.
Remnants of 10c Ribbons, 5.
Remnants of 15c Ribbons, 9c.
Remnants of 25c Ribbons, 14c.
Remnants of Dress Goods one-half regular price.
Remnants of Carpets, pretty styles, splendid for Rugs, less than cost.
Few Capes and Jackets, very low price.
Large spools Crochet Silk, 5c.

Job lot Spool Cotton, 1c.
Some new items in our Shoe Department.
Five hundred Children Suits just received, the latest styles. Prices from 85c to $4.50. Greatest values ever received.
Big stock of of Men and Boy's Sweaters, from 75c to $1 50, with large collars.
One hundred and twenty-five Scrivans' Canton Flannel Drawers, 89c.
Men's Heavy Pants, 50c and upwards.

Give us a call, it will pay you. Bell 'Phone 118. Inter-State 218.

J. H. REHDER & CO.,

Nos. 617 and 619 North Fourth Street.

Car Fare Paid on Purchases of $2.00 and upwards. feb 14 tf

To Prevent La Grippe

Keep Your Feet Warm and Dry By Wearing Our

$2 00,
2 50,
3 00,
3 50

Double Sole Shoes.

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We have the Genuine Houlton

Early Rose Potatoes,

Plant these and no other.

Use Root Crop Fertilizer Under Them.

HALL & PHARSALL,

Nutt and Mulberry streets.

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THE EXPERT BARBERS, CAN BE FOUND at No. 11 South Front street, where they will be pleased to serve their friends. First class work guaranteed. Shaving 10 cents. Give us a call.

Respectfully,

A. PREMPERT,

dec 20 tf No. 11 South Front street

COAL! COAL!!

No other coal in the world is equal to

Southern Jellico

and the

Virginia Coals,

which we are selling at the very low price of $4.50 per ton, $2 25 half ton and $1.25 for a quarter of a ton, delivered anywhere in the city for the cash.

W. E. WORTH & CO.

Telephone 94. jan 20 tf

D. O'Connor,

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